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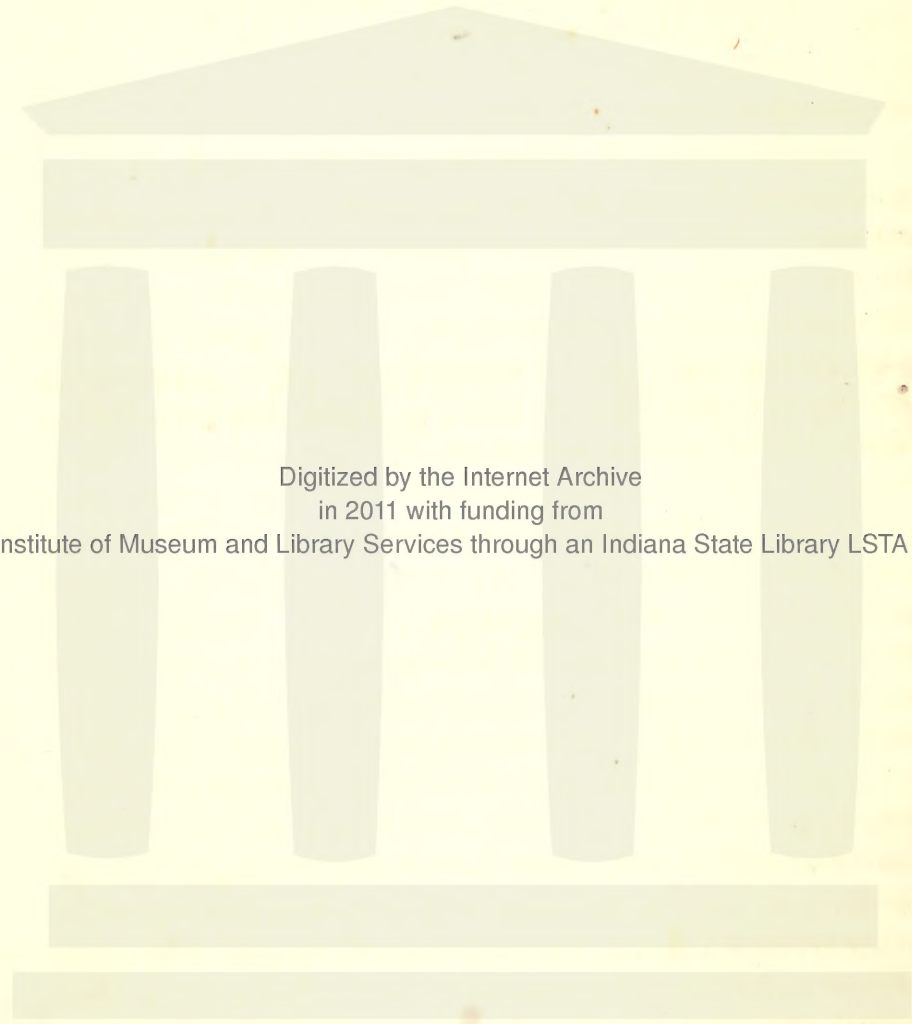
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REPORT.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of Maine in Legislature assembled:

The undersigned, a commission appointed by the Governor and Council under resolves approved March 24, 1870, to examine certain charges against towns and "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government, for men not actually put into the service," have the honor to submit the following report, agreeably to the requirement of said resolves.

Method of Investigation.

The commission immediately after being qualified, commenced its sessions at Augusta and agreed upon a method of investigation.

With regard to the whole subject of charges against towns for deficiencies under the call of October, 1863, the commission considered that they had no jurisdiction except to correct such errors, if any, as the Adjutant General should leave unadjusted; and although some evidence was taken in reference to this subject, and some discussion had as to the propriety and legality of such charges, the commission considered that they were relieved from all responsible action by the communication to them of the Adjutant General, under date of November 3, 1870, informing them that all those charges had been adjusted by him under the powers granted in said resolves. As our action in this matter was thus wholly anticipated, we have not deemed it proper or necessary to report the testimony taken relative to the same.

In passing to the second branch of our inquiry, it was deemed advisable to put ourselves in communication with the officers and agents of the various towns who had paid money to recruiting officers, brokers and other persons for recruits not enlisted in the State and not residents of the State enlisted elsewhere, by which

classes of men the quotas of many towns under some of the calls of 1864 were filled. Our object was to get from these town officers and agents the lists of men or names bought, the names of the brokers or agents by whom they were sold, the branch of service to which they were represented to belong, the certificates of the military authorities of their credit, the receipts for the money paid and the contracts, written or verbal, upon which the recruits were supplied and the consideration paid; and such explanations, if any, as were given by the officers having charge of the filling of quotas, as to the validity and legality of the proceedings. Having obtained from this source, and such papers and records as we could find in the State executive department, the names of this class of credits, we desired by reference to the records of the War and Navy Departments at Washington to ascertain whether they represented men who were or had been in the service of the United States, or whether they were, in whole or in part, fabricated and fraudulent. If we found the names to represent actual men any portion of whom were still in the service and accessible, we desired to put ourselves in communication with some of them to learn from their sworn testimony whether their assignment and sale had been authorized by themselves, and whether the considerable sums levied by brokers as bounties for them, had accrued in any way to their advantage. We next proposed to call upon the parties who had entered into these contracts with such towns and to learn from them the parties of whom and prices at which they had purchased these men or names, the documents by which their ostensible character was authenticated, the representations, if any, made to them in reference to the class of the men, and the good faith of the transfer, and the sanctions, if any, which the State and national military authorities had given to the transaction. And, lastly, we designed to take the testimony of such persons as were within the reach of our processes, who being in office at the time were responsible for the manner in which the quotas of towns were filled.

Many of the difficulties of conducting such an investigation are obvious. About six years had elapsed since the occurrence of the events to be examined. Many persons closely connected with them had removed from the State, and we had no power to compel and no inducements to attract their attendance before us; others had died. The natural infirmity of memory on the part of deeply interested witnesses was aggravated by the destruction of material papers and memoranda in fires that had occurred in Portland, Lew-

iston, Augusta and other places, by which data a feeble recollection might have been refreshed. Official letters and documents which ought to have been in the archives of the Capitol, had become lost or hopelessly misplaced, perhaps by having been too frequently required by earlier committees of investigation. The precaution of the accomplished Adjutant General, who served the State so assiduously during the late war to keep from the official records the names of men whose credit he deemed not meritorious, so that no facility for obtaining State bounty for enlistments of that character should be afforded, created an obscurity under which the questionable practices we have undertaken to explore, have found a most favoring shelter.

In spite of these difficulties, it is hoped that the results of our investigation will satisfy the just and reasonable expectations of the people who have ordered it. Doubtless it was desired to draw some palpable distinction in the history of our State betwixt the genuine patriotism and devotion which sent to the battle-field more than 50,000 of our choicest young men, and that shrewd and thrifty cunning by which a few speculators for putting upon quotas of towns either fictitious names, or names of men whose enlistment they had not procured, and credit for whom the State was not justly entitled to, were enabled to wring from distressed towns large sums ostensibly for bounties, but a small portion of which could ever have found its way to the pocket of any soldier or sailor.

It was expected, too, that more precise knowledge as to the character of the acts done in connection with supplying the calls for men otherwise than by actual enlistments, and of the persons by whom the acts were done or sanctioned, would abate the extravagance of vague suspicions and vindicate the reputation of many citizens whom public rumor had included in a too sweeping accusation.

So far as there may have been an expectation that the commission would facilitate by its disclosures the recovery of money claimed to have been improperly paid for unauthorized credits, we surmise that the expectation may not be met. Whether such moneys may be recovered back, will depend upon the terms of the contracts between the brokers and the officers of towns. Nearly all such contracts as have come under our inspection, appear to have been, on the one part, to supply men to fill the quotas of towns in whole or in part, and on the other part, to pay a stipu-

lated price when such men should be properly certified as credited to such towns ; and the contract appears to have been in terms performed. But as suits are impending involving this very question, the commission deem it best not to express a general opinion as to whether money voluntarily paid on such conditions can be recovered by suit.

The commission supposed that the interest on the part of the towns which had been refused reimbursement for enlistments of the character to be investigated, might be relied upon to bring the officers of such towns before them with their complaints and testimony. They accordingly prepared a notice of the time, place and purposes of their sessions, and had it extensively published in papers circulating in different sections of the State. This notice not proving effectual, we invited to appear before us a member of the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, from whose papers and private memoranda we were first able to obtain a list of nearly all the towns which were involved in what were called "paper credits." Guided by this list we prepared and forwarded a circular to the municipal officers of such towns, requesting them to send before us such officer or person as was cognizant of and could testify in reference to the contracts under which the quotas of such towns were filled under the calls of 1864. All persons attending before us upon such request, or upon our summons, were allowed and paid fees as witnesses at the rates prescribed for witnesses in the Supreme Court of this State.

The commission commenced its sessions for the purpose of taking testimony, at the State House in Augusta, on the 24th day of May last, and made choice of A. C. Walker, Esq., of Limerick, as their clerk. We deem it a matter of justice to testify in behalf of Mr. Walker that our investigations have been greatly aided by the fidelity and diligence with which he has discharged his clerical duties, by the rapidity with which he has transcribed, and the system with which he has arranged the testimony, and by that official knowledge gained during his service in the Adjutant General's office, and with other commissions, which has directed us at once to all such information as the official reports, records and papers could afford.

We were occupied in taking the testimony of officers of towns, and examining and comparing such official data as the records and papers furnish, from the 24th of May, with some brief intervals, to the 13th of August, and adjourned at that time, leaving unex-

amined a few towns which had either declined to appear, or whose witnesses had removed from the State or deceased.

The testimony taken from this class of witnesses is returned with this report, together with copies of such original receipts, letters and other papers as are referred to therein.

From the testimony thus taken, the clerk of the commission prepared an abstract in which all the names of the questionable credits, so far as procured, were inserted, arranged in the alphabetical order of the towns by which they had been purchased, with the name of the broker or person of whom they were bought, the price paid, and the class to which they were represented to belong, and of the witnesses, by whose testimony the facts were furnished. This abstract has been of very essential service in the course of the examination, particularly in enabling us by furnishing transcripts from it to apply for the requisite evidence from the Departments at Washington; and as it presents in a compact form the essential facts contained in the voluminous testimony of the first class of our witnesses, together with additional data procured since, it is made a part of our report for convenient reference.

On the 8th of July, 1870, Governor Chamberlain, on the written request of the commission, made a requisition on the War Department at Washington for duly authenticated copies of the names of the resdents of Maine in the naval service of the United States prior to February 24, 1864, returned to the office of Provost Marshal General; also of seamen of Maine drafted into the army enlisting into the navy; also for copies of enlistments in the naval service or marine corps, during the war, credited to the State at large, or any town or precinct thereof, or put at the disposal of any officer or person to be so credited. To this communication the Adjutant General of the United States replied under date of July 19th, 1870, that all persons credited to Maine under section 2, act of February 24, 1864, and section 8, act of July 4, 1864, were determined by the Naval Commission for the State of Maine, that the credits were by number, and that no record by name appeared to have been retained, and so that the request for copies could not be complied with; that a list of persons credited to Maine under section 7, act of February 24, 1864, and section 3, act of July 1, 1864, might be obtained from the records of the War Office of enlistments subsequent to July 1, 1864; that it would require the services of one competent clerk for two months to make the transcript, and as it

was kept by number only, it could not be verified from other records of credit,—for which reasons a compliance with the request was declined.

Failing thus to get authentic lists from the military and naval records of the United States of all the persons in the military and naval service, who could rightfully be credited to Maine under any provision of the then existing laws, for the purpose of comparing them with the lists we had collected, we next prepared two lists of the names so collected, classified as belonging ostensibly either to the navy or marine corps, and, through the medium of the Governor, sent them respectively to the War and Navy Departments for the purpose of having them compared with the rolls and records to ascertain if the men were actually enlisted as claimed. To this requisition it was replied by the Chief of Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, under date of September 22, 1870, that it "was impossible to furnish the information, unless it can be shown about when the men enlisted, and the name of the vessel on which they may have served." In our communication under date of September 28, 1870, we explained at length to the Chief of Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, that the *date of the enlistment* of the men was the very fact we were desirous of ascertaining from the records at Washington, and set forth to him fully the precise scope and purpose of our inquiries; and we returned the list with all the additional data that could be gathered from papers in our possession.

The Adjutant General of the United States, in his communication to the Governor of October 26, 1870, in reply to a communication of September 3, 1870, transmitted a list of men, "whose credits to localities are verified by the records of the A. A. P. M. G. and Provost Marshals of the State of Maine;" also copies of the returns of the Naval Commissioners, arranged by districts, and credited to the various towns by number and not by name.

No essential or very valuable information was communicated by these last named transcripts. We already had a similar list of names with evidence that they had been assigned to certain towns under the authority of the Provost Marshals. We had also the naval credits more complete in that the record contained the names as well as the assignments, although we had not previously any record of the distribution of the so called "general naval credits." No information whatever was afforded as to whether any of these names were genuine or fictitious, or where the persons bearing

them had their nativity or residence, or when, where and for whom or by whom they were enlisted.

On the 19th of November, 1870, we sent through the Governor, to the proper department at Washington, a schedule of the names of men claimed to have been enlisted into the marine corps, with a request for information, when and where, if at all, such persons were enlisted into the service of the United States, whether or not they were aliens, by what order or regulation they were credited to Maine, whether similar credits were given to other States, by what authority recruiting agents or other persons obtained possession of the muster rolls and sold them to brokers or other persons.

Our inquiries had been so long baffled by formal references to inconsequential facts and ingenious overlooking of the material matter, about which there was uncertainty, that it seemed probable that no evidence of any value to our purposes could be obtained from Washington within the period to which our labors were confined. Meantime it was ascertained by one of our commission, who, being in Washington on private business, made inquiry at the War Office, that the usage of the department did not allow any record information to be furnished except upon such formal requisition as we had made use of.

In this dilemma we applied to Hon. James G. Blaine, Speaker of the National House of Representatives, and member of Congress from the 3d District of Maine. His apprehension of the precise nature of our inquiries was prompt and complete, and to his effective intervention by personal appeals at the departments, where our requisitions for documents were waiting compliance, we consider ourselves largely indebted for whatever information from those sources we have been able to obtain.

On the 22d of December, 1870, the abstract which we had twice sent to the Navy Department was returned with the date of enlistment noted against the several names for enlistments made during the years 1864 and 1865, and also against names of men, whose alleged dates of enlistment we had furnished, as found in the fictitious returns of towns. It did not appear whether the records furnished no evidence relative to enlistments made prior to 1864, or whether no search was made for such evidence. Accordingly as soon as the omission was discovered we made an effort to have it supplied. Not wishing to lose the data already found, we transcribed from the naval list the names against which no dates of enlistment have been placed, and sent them through the Governor

to the Navy Department for the purpose of having such dates supplied, if shown by any roll, paper or record in that department. Mr. Blaine promptly aided us with his influence, but only with the effect of drawing from the Honorable Secretary of the Navy, as appears by his letter to the governor, of January 12th, 1871, the definitive decision that he found compliance with our requests impracticable, and the suggestion that the State appoint two persons to search the (naval) records for the history of its enlisted men.

We had supposed that we had been appointed for this very purpose, but after a quest of more than six months in the only direction we were informed was open to us, we find ourselves compelled by the lapse of our authority to abandon an investigation which had somewhat piqued a professional curiosity, but in prosecuting which all our resources of investigation have been fairly baffled by official evasion and imperturbability.

A deepening obscurity settles over the naval achievements that, by the fair imputation of purchase, justly accrue to our State. Where are those unboasting "naval heroes," who for us stood upon decks behind bulwarks of wood and iron while death-dealing case-shot sung through the severed rigging, or tore into the sides of sinking hulls? On what lonely ocean do they still sail, or in what cool and seaside hospitals do they solace themselves? Does the generous bounty which the recruiting agent and broker advanced to them still suffice to eke out the scanty pipe and grog, over which they can recount their brave exploits? Maine owes them a debt of gratitude. How shall she find them out to do them honor? How, if not to advertise in all the papers that if *John Lynch, and J. Murphy and William Barry will call at the State House they shall hear something to their advantage?*

On the 26th of December, we received the Marine Corps list, with the entries of the dates and places of enlistment, so far as shown by the records of the Marine Corps, with a copy of a communication from the Commandant of the Marine Corps to the Secretary of the Navy, in which a portion of our inquiries are answered. We append to this report copies of the correspondence had with the different departments at Washington, together with the schedules received, in which the dates of enlistment as transcribed from their records are entered.

Summary of Facts Proved.

From the abstract before referred to, it appeared that the towns had been furnished with credits of a doubtful character by Messrs. Colby & Pike, T. M. Stevens, Charles Kimball, D. H. Brown, S. A. Barker, Benjamin Hurd, Herriman, Libby & Co., T. H. Dinsmore, Watts & Wall, J. H. Manley, G. M. Delany & Co., S. C. Archer, John P. Heath, Joseph Nye, Elliott Walker, John P. Deering & Co., A. B. Farwell, Sumner Barton, A. D. Merrow, I. W. Reed, T. H. Hubbard, Josiah H. Greely, G. P. Cochrane, Lewis Tibbetts, Ira D. Sturges, —— North, C. T. Bean, and Hodgdon, Morris & Co. Many of these persons, however, appeared to be only middle men, with or without commission, between the first-hand brokers and the towns, some as agents of the towns, and some as agents and salesmen of the brokers. We have examined nearly all of these men, who were reported to be alive, whom we could find within reach of our process.

All the men sold classify themselves under these descriptions:

1. Enlistments claimed in the U. S Navy on fictitious returns of municipal officers of various towns, but nevertheless sold to such towns, principally by G. M. Delany & Co., and others.

2. Enlistments claimed to be in the U. S. Navy, numbering sixty or more, originally at the disposal of the State authorities, but ultimately sold by A. B. Farwell.

3. Enlistments claimed in the U. S. Navy, a list of which purporting to number two hundred and fifty-one was ordered to be credited to Maine by the U. S. Provost Marshal General, the property to which seemed to have been recognized as in J. H. Manley, and the names on which were sold to towns by him and his consignees, J. P. Deering & Co., and others.

4. Between three hundred and four hundred ostensible enlistments in the U. S. Marine Corps, the right of control to which seems to have been recognized as in the hands of Messrs. Colby & Pike.

We had wished, before calling upon this class of witnesses, to obtain all the record evidence accessible in the State and national archives, but were warned by the early expiration of our authority, to change the proposed order, and we commenced to take this class of evidence early in November.

It seemed proper to consider, that the dealers in this class of credits would naturally have a strong interest to vindicate the fairness and legality of their transactions, and that, after such a

lapse of time, in detailing what they had done, they might unwittingly substitute the impressions of a personal interest for those of a weakened memory. Many of them had previously testified before various committees, and several of them had published carefully prepared versions of their connection with these matters. With such preparation on their part, the absence of important and private papers, and the loss or spoliation of some public records, and the entire ignorance of the commissioners as to this portion of the history of our State, it seemed to us that we ought to have for the purpose of eliciting truth, all the advantages given by courts to a cross-examination. A witness should be required to speak from an actual and present recollection of the event or fact in question, and not from a consideration of what he may have said before. The tribunal, and not the witness, is to compare the consistency of different statements, otherwise the tests of fair cross-examination are thrown away.

We are not aware that any complaint has been made as to our modes of interrogation, and make none ourselves at any lack of patience, courtesy, or completeness of answer on the part of witnesses. In one or two instances, questions as to persons were refused answers, but as it was claimed to be done under the stress of personal honor, and the answer was not apparently material to the investigation, the scruple was respected, and our compulsory powers were not made use of. It became early apparent that J. H. Manley, Esq., of Augusta, was closely connected with a large number of these questionable credits, and it seemed very desirable to obtain his testimony. Mr. Manley has been during the summer and autumn employed as an officer in the U. S. Internal Revenue service, and on duty, it was understood, in Pennsylvania. A request was made to the Secretary of the Treasury, through the Governor, that he be temporarily relieved from duty for the purpose of appearing as a witness before our commission; and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue so far complied as to send a request to the officer at Boston, to whom he had been ordered to report, that he should attend before us. The request, if communicated to him, has not yet been complied with.

We have had correspondence with Major J. W. T. Gardiner, and tried to induce him to give us the benefit of his testimony. We place among our depositions our correspondence with him, which will have the same weight as if upon oath, wherever his honorable character is known.

It will be impossible to give a brief summary of the facts, which all the testimony taken tends to establish, without some inaccuracies. Misstatements may be made by misconception, and inferences may be drawn not wholly warranted. Intending, however, to give the substance of it as it lies in our recollection after a considerable study, and to draw only such inferences as are legitimate, we refer to the testimony itself to correct any mistakes that may be made. Our task will not seem to have been fully accomplished if we leave the mass of confused questions and answers and of contradictions arising from the varying recollections of witnesses, without attempting to set forth briefly what seems to us to have been fairly proved.

Assignment of Men Sold by Delany & Co., and others.

To narrate the events as near as possible in the order of their occurrence: Late in the summer of 1864, one John P. Heath, acting as a recruting officer, and having an office in Portland, collected a list of several hundred names of persons claimed to have been enlisted into the navy. This list was brought or sent to the Adjutant General's Office in Augusta by John T. Hull, Esq., of Portland, who had been actively engaged as a recruiting agent for the city of Portland since the commencement of the war. Mr. Hull's connection with this list seemed to be with the view of having the names upon it credited to the city of Portland, on the ground that the enlistments were made there,—a claim that was disallowed by the Naval Commission then in session at Augusta, consisting of the Governor and A. A. P. M. General, Maj. Gardiner. General Hodsdon speaks of but one list obtained from Heath, which contained the names of some 300 men allowed to Portland, as in the naval service, after assigning which there was a balance of more than 400, which were classed as "General Naval Credits." But as Mr. Hull's statement varies from this, and as we find the original return of the municipal officers of actual residents of Portland in the navy, containing nearly 300 names, we think the preponderance of proof is, that the list first above referred to did not contain the actual residents entered in said return. The list itself would settle all doubt about this matter. It ought to be on the files of the Adjutant General's office. General Hodsdon assured us that he would endeavor to find it, but in the great pressure of his private business he has as yet been unable to comply with his engagement. The clerks in the office of the Adjutant General

have no knowledge of such a paper, and both it and every other roll or list upon which any of the suspicious enlistments were borne, are not known to have passed under the inspection of the clerks for the purpose of being transcribed, copied, filed or classified.

About the time this list was prepared, Heath seems to have made an agreement with G. M. Delany, or with Delany & Yates, to sell him or them all the men recruited by or for him, for the purpose of having them sold again to officers of towns. Heath was to have a premium of $30 per man for his agency in the business, and Delany claims that in addition to this payment, which was actually made, he paid, or deposited with persons to be paid, $100 per man for every man, excepting those already in the service whose term of enlistment had partially expired. He does not indicate how many men would fall under that description, or how many men or what sums he actually paid ; and his partner, Mr. Yates, expresses the opinion that nothing whatever was paid to the men, and says that no charge for such payment was made in the settlement between between himself and partner.

Under this arrangement Messrs. Delany & Yates sold, by themselves, or through parties to whom they sold, about 200 men. In this number, however, are included a few men sold directly by Heath, and a few by Thomas M. Stevens, to whom Heath had turned over a part with the consent of Delany. These sales were made to towns at prices ranging from $80 to $500 per man. The towns to which and the prices at which they were sold will be seen by reference to the abstract, which, it must be remembered, does not contain all the towns that bought this class of men, but all which we have been able to investigate. These sales obtained the sanction of the Naval Commission by means of returns filled up mainly in the hand writing of Delany or some one of his partners or clerks, upon blanks furnished from the Adjutant General's office, and signed by the selectmen of towns to which the sales were made, in which returns the men so sold were certified to be persons resident or liable to enrollment in such towns, who were in the service in the U. S. Navy. These returns were upon printed blanks, similar to that of the town of Mercer, annexed to this report as a specimen.

There is no proof that the Naval Commission proper had any knowledge or suspicion that these returns were not genuine and true. The circumstance that small inland towns like Temple and

Porter claimed more men in the navy than the larger maritime towns of Machiasport and Steuben, would not be likely to arrest their attention.

The selectmen of towns who had signed such certificates—their oath was not required—have given various accounts of how these certificates were obtained. Some few have been confident that they never did sign or could have signed such returns, though they generally did not fail to recognize the genuineness of their signatures. Some have asserted that they signed these papers without much knowledge of their contents and as a matter of form, while the scruples of others were overcome by the ingenious explanation, that, as the men were in the service of the United States, they ought to have a residence somewhere, and as no residence could be shown elsewhere in the United States, they might by a fiction of law be considered as residents of the towns to which they were assigned; it not being explained that the very certificate sought was the prerequisite of such assignment.

Delany asserts that the assignment of these men to the credit of towns was refused by the Adjutant General, without authority from Washington, and that he procured such authority in the form of an order from Provost Marshal General Fry, to credit the names enumerated in the list, to districts and sub-districts in the State, and that after the receipt of that order credits were made to such towns as he had negotiated with for the men.

Assignment of Men sold by A. B. Farwell.

The assignment of some sixty or more men, whose names were originally borne on the Heath lists, but who, not having been taken up by the certificates of towns as residents thereof, were for a while classed as "General Naval Credits," to the towns of Sidney, Norridgewock, Mercer, Starks, and others, in performance of contracts made with those towns by A. B. Farwell, and for which men Farwell was paid, was, perhaps, the transaction which has excited more comment and suspicion than any other connected with these credits. So far as the disposition of these so called "General Naval Credits" was made "to such poor and meritorious localities, as were deemed most deserving of them," no just censure can be bestowed upon it. A record of such distribution accompanies this report, showing it to have been, mainly, with tolerable equality to smaller towns and plantations as follows: Three to the towns in the 1st District, seventy-four to towns in the 2d District, one

hundred and seven to towns in the 3d District, one hundred and nine to towns in the 4th District, and thirty-five to towns in the 5th District. Some marked inequalities will be observed, as twelve to the town of Levant in the 4th District, but the testimony of Mr. Ruggles sufficiently explains the good faith and propriety of this assignment. It is nothing more than fair to conjecture that the assignment of ten to the town of Weld and six to the town of East Livermore in the 2d District, and of four to Burlington in the 4th District, and five to Belfast in the 5th District, may be justified on the ground of some previous inequality in quotas, which were thus corrected; but the allowance of fifteen to the town of Sidney, twelve to the town of Mercer, eleven to the town of Winthrop, six to the town of Monmouth, fourteen to the town of Starks, twelve to the town of Norridgewock, all in the 3d District, and of two to the town of Greene in the 2d District, and all of which seem to have been supplied with this class of "naval heroes" by Mr. Farwell, has excited considerable inquiry and comment.

Mr. Farwell's own explanation of his connection with this distribution has been put before the public in various forms. It may be found succinctly stated in his communication to the Portland Advertiser, dated October 5, 1869, and more at length in his answers to interrogatories in his deposition taken by us. He says that he went to Washington, D. C., taking with him only a private letter from Governor Cony, introducing him and his business, and while in that vicinity procured and caused to be mustered into the army a number of men, not varying ten from seventy-five, part of which he enlisted himself, part of which he bought of other recruiting agents, and part of which were transferred to him by a man whose name he suppresses, he advancing their bounties and taking their receipts therefor. He says the muster rolls of all these men were either sent by mail or brought by himself to the Adjutant General's office in Augusta, and that all the men whose receipts and enlistment papers he did not himself bring, were assigned by the State authorities to the State at large, or to the towns of their residences respectively. He says he had advanced as State bounties and premiums for these men $35,000, and over $30,000 more than was reimbursed to him in the sale and assignment of such as he was allowed to control. Complaining to the State authorities of this considerable loss, they finally arranged to reimburse him by allowing him to take some sixty or more men from the "General Credit" list, and sell them to towns, by which

he was enabled to indemnify himself for his said loss. After this arrangement was agreed upon, he asserts that the Governor burnt the original receipts in his private room in the State House of all the men who had been assigned, as he says, to the general credit of the State or to the towns of their residence, to none of which had a bounty been paid by the State.

This statement, although asseverated and repeated by a man who has largely enjoyed the friendship of eminent public men, and the confidence of his fellow citizens, is contradicted by so many facts and circumstances, that we find ourselves compelled, in determining what our testimony proves, to state in order the reasons for distrusting it:

1. There was no law or order permitting men re-enlisting into the army under general order No. 227, to be assigned to the general credit of the State. There was no assignment to the general credit of the State, of men, either in the army or navy during the war.

2. There was no law or order requiring men re-enlisting, under said order 227, to be assigned to the towns of their residence. The act of Congress under which Farwell and other agents acted, paramount to all State laws, expressly provided that this class of men should be assigned to the towns procuring them, and the general order of the Adjutant General of this State, No. 27, sect. 10, distinctly recognized the right of cities, towns and plantations to the men procured by their agents.

3. If Mr. Farwell had advanced to men in Washington, State bounties, there was no difficulty in tracing them to whatever towns they may have been assigned. Their State bounties were due without any reference to such assignments, and he admits that he held their receipts, and had sent forward their muster rolls in case of all the men he had procured.

4. It is improbable that the State authorities should have taken away from Mr. Farwell, who enjoyed their confidence and went to Washington under a special and honorable appointment, four-fifths of the men he procured, and should have given them, in violation of the act of Congress, to the towns where he could not trace them, though he got back to Augusta early in September, while all the assignments of men made by Mr. Stimson, thirty-three in number, were allowed to stand, though Stimson stood in no such relation to the State authorities, and did not return to Augusta till weeks after Mr. Farwell had returned.

5. There was not only no law or order requiring men procured by recruiting agents to be assigned to the place of their residence, but the custom of the Adjutant General's Office seems to have been not so to assign them. Of Stimson's thirty-three men, only one appears by the Adjutant General's Reports to have belonged to the town to which he was assigned. Of the five men we have been able to identify as procured by Farwell, the original assignment made by Farwell seems to have been changed on their muster-in roll, in the handwriting of the Adjutant General himself, to a town other than that of their residence, as shown by his own reports.

6. It is improbable that the Governor committed such a folly, not to say such an official malfeasance, as to burn the soldiers' receipts for $18,000, required by law to be produced at the Adjutant General's office, which receipt was the proper voucher that their State bounties had been received by them. It gave fifty or more men the opportunity to make claim for their bounties over again, and the record showing their service, and no receipt being at hand, and no evidence for its payment being found, under the usage of the Adjutant General's office, the claim would have been allowed.

7. The records of the Adjutant General's office, in which all men wherever enlisted mustered into the credit of towns in Maine, were entered as the muster rolls were received (and Mr. Farwell admits that all his muster rolls were received,) show only twelve men mustered in by all the recruiting agents in Washington, exclusive of Stimson's thirty-three men.

8. The other recruiting agents who were with Mr. Farwell in Washington, estimate the number of men procured by Farwell as very much less than his estimate.

9. With the most strenuous purpose to credit Mr. Farwell, we should be perplexed to determine which Mr. Farwell,—the one who, fresh from the event, in February, 1865, made a statement before the legislative investigating committee, which was taken down in writing by Hon. Nathan Webb, or the one who more than six years after the event subscribes and swears to the testimony taken before us. In the former he states that he had a commission from the Adjutant General, and procured all his men under that authority. In the latter he swears that he refused to take a commission from the Adjutant General, and to be considered a recruiting officer, and only had a letter from the Governor. In the former he

said that he paid a maximum of $600 for men, and $450 for a personal substitute. In the latter he testifies that he paid a maximum of $700 for men and $550 for a personal substitute. In the former he relates that of his 60 or 80 men all but twelve or twenty were men already in *the Navy* on board two different war vessels, whose enlisting papers he had bought. In the latter he makes oath that the whole number, not varying ten from seventy-five, were enlisted and mustered into *the Army* in the vicinity of Washington. In the former he plainly implies that he bought the enlistment papers of Stimson's, Gaslin's, Emery's and Manley's men. In the latter he admits that he bought only Emery's and Manley's men, and it is otherwise proved that he did not buy Stimson's. In the former he makes no complaint of misassignment or loss of men. He was so successful that he had men to spare, and after generously donating ten or fifteen men, which the Adjutant General assigned for political purposes at his written request, he sold what he had left so as to get back what he had paid out and a little more. In the latter he complains under oath, that he lost some 50 or 60 men, by the misassignment of the State authorities, and more than $30,000 which he had disbursed for them more than what he got back by sale and payment, and that the State authorities repaid this loss by turning over to him 60 or more men from the general naval credits.

It is difficult to reconcile these two statements or to make them appear like veritable recitals of the same transaction. We conclude that the men sold by Farwell to the towns of Sidney, Mercer, Winthrop, Starks, Norridgewock, Monmouth and Greene, were taken out of the category of General Naval Credits where they first stood, and put to the credit of these towns either in the manner that Delany effected his assignment of the same class of men, or in the manner the 251 list was assigned, of which we speak further along. The returns of the towns of Mercer, Sidney and Starks in Mr. Farwell's own hand writing, and the records of the Naval Commission, show how the thing was done as to those towns. In the case of the other men transferred from the "General Credit" list to the towns to which Farwell sold men, it seems to have been effected otherwise than through the "recognized fiction of formal returns." There is evidence tending to connect Mr. Farwell with the sales of other similar naval credits to the towns of Friendship, Bristol and Waldoboro', but it is too incomplete to furnish safe data.

Assignment of Men sold by J. H. Manley.

The names contained in the 251 list, and claimed to be the names of recruits in the navy, although assigned to some thirty-five towns, seem to have been regarded as the property of J. H. Manley, and were probably bought by him of some person connected with and referring to John P. Heath. We desired to obtain the testimony of Mr. Manley himself as to this list, but as already stated, have been disappointed. Perhaps, however, there is as much light thrown upon the acquisition, distribution and sale of this number of men as upon any other class of suspicious enlistments. We have the testimony of Mr. Simmons, partner of J. P. Deering & Co., substantiated by the books of the firm who sold over 100 of them, a fragment of Manley's statement before the Legislative committee of 1865, and a copy of a paper which will be annexed to this report, which paper General Hodsdon thinks shows the actual distribution of men to these towns.

It appears that the list containing the men was procured by J. H. Manley through J. P. Heath, that it was offered to the State authorities to obtain their sanction to its assignment to the credit of towns with which bargains of sale had already been made, or were expected to be made, that the State authorities sent an agent to Boston, who went on board the receiving ship and reported that he found all the names on record there as enlisted men, a fact, however, which would nowise prevent their being sold and assigned on the credit of other States. The men were not residents of Maine or aliens enlisted in Maine, and there was no law or general order by which they could be put to the credit of towns in Maine. A special order, however, from Provost Marshal General Fry was obtained, under which the assignment actually made seems to have been justified. We append a copy of this special order, dated December 10, 1864. Perhaps it is fairly inferable from what we have of Mr. Manley's testimony that he had some agency in procuring this special order. It turned out that he had a very strong personal interest in procuring such order, for he seems to have sold to Deering & Co. alone, 121 of these men at $47,400, and if he sold the rest at the same rate, his gross sales must have amounted to more than $100,000. The abstract accompanying the report shows the sales of this list so far as we have been able to trace it.

Assignment of Marine Corps Men sold by Pike & Colby.

Messrs. Pike & Colby seem to have managed the list of men claimed to have been enlisted into the U. S. Marine Corps. It was originally brought to Maine as testified to by Mr. Farwell and General Hodsdon, by one Captain Forrest, and at that time was a mere collection of sheets of foolscap paper containing names, without seal or proper security against being indefinitely added to, and was signed only on the last of several sheets. The proposition made to General Hodsdon and Major Gardiner to sanction the assignment of men on this list to towns in Maine, was decisively rejected. The list was taken away but was presented some weeks after to Major Littler, successor to Major Gardiner, and a special order from Provost Marshal General Fry having in the mean time been obtained to credit them to districts and sub-districts of Maine, they were distributed in strict accordance with arrangements made with Messrs. Pike & Colby. Mr. D. T. Pike, the surviving member of that firm, has testified before us with great frankness, minuteness and candor, and all the main points of his testimony harmonize with his published account of his connection with these transactions and with such other evidence as we have collected. The only considerable discrepancy that occurs to us is, in that Mr. Pike states that these men were enlisted in the District of Columbia, and bases his claim to obtain the credit of them for towns in Maine, in part upon the fact that they could not be credited to any other State; whereas, it appears from the data obtained from the Navy Department that only 21 of these men were actually enlisted in Washington, the rest being enlisted in Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, and other cities. Our abstract shows only 334 of these men disposed of by Messrs. Pike & Colby, their agents and assignees. It is not likely, however, that the number was less than 400, as Mr. Pike would have no disposition to exaggerate the number. The rest of them must have been sold to some other towns whose officers we have not been able to put ourselves in communication with, or who, being content with having them count on their quotas, made no claim for reimbursement to the Equalization Commissioners, and so no clue is furnished as to their disposition.

Whole number of "Paper Men."

Supposing the list sent to the Adjutant General by John T. Hull to have contained 600 names, and the list managed by Pike & Colby

to have contained 400 names, and adding the 251 list, we have a pretty definite record of 1251 names; but besides this there was the list of Marine Corps men brought to Augusta by one Higgins, and sold to G. P. Cochrane in January, 1865, and out of which Cochrane previous to his sickness had sold about 30 men to towns. The rest, numbering about 170, were left in the Adjutant General's office, and the sale and distribution of them was managed by parties unknown. That is to say, we conclude they were sold because there was a special order of the Provost Marshal General to assign them upon the quotas of towns, and in the eagerness of towns at that time to procure men they would not be likely to remain on the market. Then there was still another list of 200 names in possession of Delany at the time of his arrest, which he says were disposed of by Major Littler, and a percentage upon the sale of which, amounting to $604, was paid to him. Delany names among the towns to which this lot was disposed of, Nobleboro', Waltham and Mariaville; and we find that the town of Nobleboro' made claim for reimbursement for 18 men, not named, which it is presumed were acquired in this way.

These together make an aggregate of 1380, after deducting the 271 said to have been gratuitously distributed by the governor from the "General Credits," for which the towns must have paid to private persons not less than half a million dollars. Of these our abstract contains about 1,000, named and un-named. Many of the rest it would be very difficult to trace, because many towns were well aware in advance that reimbursement would not be allowed for this class of men, and so made no claim for them; and the officers and agents of other towns might have been too familiar with the manner in which these men were put to the credit of their towns, to think it politic to say anything about reimbursement.

Duplication of Names.

The records of the Naval Commissioners and the returns of towns show that the same name is in many instances entered twice to the credit of the same town, but as the number returned as credited in the Provost Marshal's office in Washington is in many cases less than the number entered on the records of the Naval Commissioners, it may be assumed that these duplications were wholly or in part corrected. But we find credited to the town of Southport six names so similar to six also credited to the town of Canaan, that their identity cannot be questioned. Stephen P. Hart, Enoch S.

Chase and Thomas M. Packard, three men enlisted into the Veteran Reserve Corps in the summer and fall of 1864, by recruiting agents of Maine, seem to have been each credited twice to different towns. The practice of certifying the filling of a quota by number only without furnishing names, was one that favored duplication. Where no names were furnished at the time the men were credited and paid for, and could not be procured afterwards by repeated applications, there was of course no opportunity to compare the names with those that had been credited to other towns.

Genuineness of the Credits.

We exceedingly regret that after so long and expensive an investigation we are not able definitely to answer the question, how many of these one thousand or sixteen hundred names are those of veritable sailors and marines in the United States service during the rebellion? We have already detailed, at length, the efforts which we have put forth to obtain this information, and how our inquiries have been evaded and only partially answered.

Of the 335 men claimed to be in the Marine Corps, whose names we have collected from the testimony taken, it will appear by the table annexed to this report that the records and rolls in the Navy Department, of which the Marine Corps is a Bureau, show no enlistment of 111 of them. We are not sufficiently familiar with the precision and care and fullness with which these records are kept at Washington, to determine judicially that all of these one hundred and eleven names are fictitious. But on the other hand it is full more uncertain that the 224 names against which the dates of enlistment, principally during the years 1862 and 1863, are entered, are the same 224 marines that were assigned to towns in Maine and paid for out of their treasuries; because it is by no means certain when we find a John Lynch, William Barry and John Kelley entered of record as in the Marine Corps, that they are the identical men assigned to towns in Maine. There may be a half dozen men of each of these names in the Marine Corps, and every one of them lawfully claimed by some other State or precinct. It seems reasonable to conclude that at least one-third of this list of Marine Corps was fictitious. Whether fictitious or real, there was no law or valid order which furnished the slightest pretext for assigning them to the credit of Maine. One hundred and twenty-two of them were enlisted in Philadelphia, twenty-one of them only

in Washington, others in New York, Brooklyn, Chicago and other cities, but not one of them in Maine.

Of the men in the navy, numbering 397, of which we forwarded a list in connection with the Marine Corps men, the records in the Navy Department show as actually enlisted only 94; but this is not a fair test of the genuineness of the names either way, for no search has yet been made, excepting as to men enlisting into the navy in 1864 and 1865, and as to 58 names with dates of enlistment set against them, taken by us from fictitious returns of selectmen. As to those enlistments appearing of record in the Navy Department during 1864 and 1865, there is very little probability that they are identical with the men purchased and put to the credit of towns in Maine, for none of these enlistments were made in Maine, and there being large bounties for seamen as well as soldiers during those years, enlisted seamen would be likely to be eagerly appropriated on the quotas of precincts where they enlisted. The towns in Maine that sent their residents into the navy during those years had little difficulty in securing their credit for themselves; and it would be almost incredible that there were hundreds of men enlisting in Boston, New York and other cities that had organized agencies, procuring men that did not fairly belong to those places, which fell to Maine because the precincts lawfully entitled to them failed to make claim for them.

As in case of the Marine Corps, the names against which dates of enlistment are set are principally those common names of which several can be found in any considerable body of men. It is not certain that the John Robinson, J. Murphy and John Ward, appearing to be in the service, are the identical men that fell to us in the distribution of "this class of naval heroes." The only fair test as to the genuineness of these names is found in the fact that of 58 names claimed to have been enlisted prior to 1864, only 16 were found on record in the navy office. Whether this is or is not a fair proportion for the whole list, is a conjecture which any one can make, but we need not, as we are to find facts and not conjectures.

Comments on the Transactions.

The testimony taken furnishes an ample basis for every citizen to make these for himself, and he probably will without his judgment being much controlled by ours. We shall not, however, have fully discharged our duty unless we indicate in some general way

the conclusions we have unavoidably arrived at, as to the persons upon whom the responsibility for these unauthorized credits rests. There have been some attempts by published speech and communication, to abate the severity of the public censure which has held as especially odious this part of the business of a class of men come to be unfavorably known as substitute brokers. It has been pleaded that these names were valid enough, as the event turned, to supply a call for troops when the real men that were equipped and sent forward, on account of the sudden collapse of the rebellion, never reached the lines or encountered an enemy on the field. It has been urged that these men cost the towns much less than citizens of the State would have cost, and that the State and general government were wholly saved the bounties payable to newly enlisted soldiers. It has been feelingly and eloquently maintained that the towns in Maine had so far exhausted their able-bodied population by volunteering, recruiting and drafting, that the men were not in the State to fill the demand which the rejection of these questionable credits would have made. All these arguments and statements are entitled to due consideration. But, on the other hand, it must be remembered that nearly half of these "paper men" distributed in Maine were put upon quotas under the call of July, 1864, and that the fact that elsewhere as well as in this State, this call was so largely responded to by men that added nothing to the effective numbers of the army, made necessary the additional call of December, 1864, with the enormous expense it entailed upon the people of all the States to meet it. In the debate in the National House of Representatives, on the 21st of February, 1865, upon an amendment of the enrollment act, by which the nefarious practice, at that time become notorious, of answering calls for troops by credits for men not actually furnished, was effectually checked, Mr. Blaine, our member from the 3d District said, "the amendment which I have offered is designed to correct this evil, to cut it up by the roots and bring back recruiting to an honest, meritorious and patriotic effort to fill the ranks of our gallant army with men and not with the shadowy fictions which pass under the general name of 'paper credits.' We have witnessed with amazement the quotas of entire cities and districts, and I do not know but States also, technically filled without adding a single man to the effective military force of the nation." Mr. Pike, then our member from the 5th District, in the same debate said, "but worse than this, credits have been given to these States when no

men have ever been furnished by anybody. Bold frauds; paper men have been substituted for sailors, and up to this time fifty per cent. more men have been credited to the different States than are in the navy altogether. It is therefore time the thing should stop."

As to the moral quality of the acts thus justly characterized, it made no difference how the event turned. It was dangerous, at the very climax of the great struggle happily ending in victory, to meet by pretence and not by performance a call for a last rally, the effective force of which undoubtedly completed the despair of the rebels and compelled their surrender. The patriotism of those States and the great majority of towns in our own State, that sent or prepared to send to the field the last remnant of their citizens capable of bearing arms, was none the less noble because those men returned unscathed after a bloodless campaign of a few months.

The trick of substituting for recruits, fictitious names and names of persons to whose service the State had no just claim, was none the less scandalous because it was so covered up by the fair and honest efforts of the people at large.

In order to determine accurately the responsibility connected with the official acts by which these fraudulent credits were sanctioned, it is necessary to ascertain what the law permitted and required. Section 2, of the act of Congress of February 24, 1864, provided that "in ascertaining and filling the quota of any ward of a city, town," &c., "there shall be taken into account the number of men who have heretofore entered the naval service of the United States, and whose names are borne upon the enrollment lists as already returned to the office of the provost marshal general of the United States." Section 9 provides "That all enlistments into the naval service of the United States, or into the marine corps of the United States, that may hereafter be made of persons liable to service under the act of Congress entitled 'An act for enrolling and calling out the national forces, and for other purposes,' approved March third, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, shall be credited to the ward, town, township, precinct or election district, or county" &c., "in which such enlisted men were or may be enrolled and liable to duty under the act aforesaid, under such regulations as the provost marshal general of the United States may prescribe." The provision in Section 2 seems to be general and to allow credit for all seamen previously furnished to the navy, but Section 9 seems to limit the credit to enlistments in the naval

service made after the date of the act. The latter seems to have been considered the controlling provision, and accordingly the Provost Marshal General of the United States, in Circular No. 11, of Circulars of the Provost Marshal's Bureau for 1863–4–5, at page 157, promulgates the opinion of Honorable William Whiting, Solicitor of the War Department, as the authoritative regulation of the Bureau in regard to credits on the quotas of wards, towns, &c., to this effect: "*First.* A person enlisting into the marine corps or naval service of the United States who is (according to the provisions of the act of March 3, 1863) liable to military service, whether enrolled or not—if he might be enrolled—is to be credited to the quota of the place where he was liable to military service. *Second.* Persons not liable to military service, whether enrolled or not enrolled, should not be credited to any quota."

Section 3 of the act of July 1, 1864, provides as follows: "That all enlistments into the naval service or marine corps during the present war shall be credited to the appropriate township, precinct, or district, in the same manner as enlistments for the army." Section 8, of the act of July 4, 1864, which is undoubtedly a substitute for said section 3, provides as follows: "That all persons in the naval service of the United States who have entered said service during the present rebellion, who have not been credited to the quota of any town, district, ward, or State, by reason of their being in said service and not enrolled prior to February twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-four, shall be enrolled and credited to the quotas of the town, ward, district, or State, in which they respectively reside, upon satisfactory proof of their residence made to the Secretary of War."

It will be seen at a glance, that the acts of July in no way change the requirement in the act of February, that credits to towns, &c., shall be given only for actual residents of such towns, enrolled or liable to be enrolled. They only add another class,—residents of towns not actually enrolled on account of absence in the naval service of the United States; and an express provision is added, that the residence is a fact to be proved. Mr. Wilson, chairman of the Military Committee in the U. S. Senate, in reporting the act of July 4, 1864, says, that the 8th section "throws the burden of proof upon the community claiming to have credit for seamen, and the proof is to be made satisfactory to the War Department. If they do not prove it clearly they do not get any credit for them." There is no ambiguity about the law and no

misunderstanding the intention of its framers. Persons in the Navy and Marine Corps were to be credited to the towns where they resided and were liable to enrollment. Aliens and persons not having such residence, enlisting or who had enlisted in such service, were not to be so credited. Their service enured to the benefit of the United States at large. Perhaps an alien might be a substitute, or might volunteer, and, with his own consent might go upon the quota of any town; he might waive his alienage and permit himself to be enrolled and drafted; in these cases he might lawfully be assigned to the credit of the town for which he consented to volunteer or to be drafted. The naval service of all other aliens the government had the benefit of, and called only for such persons as it needed besides.

The law thus interpreted by itself should have controlled the Provost Marshal's Bureau, and when the Provost Marshal General in his letter of July 9, 1864, appointing Governor Cony and Maj. Gardiner to the Naval Commission, instructed them that in determining the credits the State of Maine, and different sub-divisions of it were entitled to, "the Secretary thinks it will be fair to assume that the State in which naval enlistments have been made, is entitled to credit for the enlistments, unless it shall appear by more direct evidence that the credits belong elsewhere," he seems to us to have transcended the requirements of law. The terms and intendment of the act were to throw the burden of proving residence upon the towns; the effect of the instruction was to assume the residence to be at the place of enlistment, and throw the burden of disproving it upon the town making an adverse claim. The instruction from the same officer to Governor Cony and Major Littler, of December 10, 1864, authorizing the crediting of the 251 naval recruits, is of the same force and refers to the foregoing instruction. The mere private endorsement upon the Marine Corps list, in the hands of Messrs. Pike & Colby, authorizing a credit of the names it contained to districts and sub-districts of Maine, and the similar instruction authorizing a like credit of about 200 names upon a list held by G. P. Cochrane, to districts and sub-districts in the State of ——, does not seem to us to have had the slightest pretext of law or propriety to vindicate it. Of the first list the proof shows that only two-thirds of the names thereon were genuine, and there is no proof that any of the names upon the last list were genuine. There was no safeguard against an indefinite supply of names, or against the same name being sold

and credited indefinitely to any number of States. As to how these orders were procured, we do not deem the proofs we have collected sufficient in quantity and quality to express, officially, our opinion. That high officer acted outside of our jurisdiction, if not of our criticism, and his conduct is a matter more fit for a Congressional than a State Legislative investigation.

But the Provost Marshal's Bureau was a military rather than a civil department, and its actions are to be judged under the principles of the military rather than the civil law. The orders emanating from General Fry, whether general or special, were an ample vindication for all acts fairly done, according to their plain intent and meaning, by the persons claiming authority subordinate to that department.

It does not appear that the Naval Commission undertook to exercise the whole discretion given them in the instructions of July 9, 1864. If the 457 men which they reported as having enlisted in the navy, but could not be credited to any particular town, were actually enlisted in Maine, they might under those instructions have credited them to Portland, Kittery or Belfast, if enlisted at those points, but, either doubting the legality of such instructions or from abundant caution, they seem to have asked permission of the Provost Marshal General to credit them to the State at large, and to have obtained permission therefor by his letter of August 30, 1864. A large number of these enlisted naval men, both before and after this assignment of "General Credits," seem to have been claimed as residents of towns in this State, by returns which are now shown to be false. The only evidence we have taken upon the point is to the effect that the Naval Commission had no knowledge or suspicion that such returns were not reliable. General Hodsdon admits that he suggested to Mr. Farwell that he should cause a part of these men to be claimed as residents of certain inland towns, of which he must have known that they were not residents; and whether the suggestion came from some knowledge that a similar practice had been resorted to by other dealers in this class of men, is a question upon which any one can form his own opinion. In regard to an officer whose oversight of the military affairs of the State was so minute, whose system of administration, arrangement and record was so methodical, and whose personal capacity so far exceeded even the large requirements of his place, it is difficult to infer that practices not authorized by the fair construction of law and dangerous to the public service,

escaped his vigilant attention. General Hodsdon, however, had no official responsibility for these matters. They did not belong to the department of his office, and what assistance he rendered was either voluntary or as a clerk, and his knowlcdge, if any, did not necessarily effect his superiors.

We have already admitted that an order from the Provost Marshal General justified all acts done in strict pursuance of it, by the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General of Maine, his subordinate. It is necessary, therefore, to know with some precision, the terms of such orders, and the precise powers they gave. The only one of which we have been able to find a copy is that from General Fry to Acting Assisting Provost Marshal General, R. M. Littler, dated December 10, 1864, which required the then governor and A. A. P. M. General of the State to adjust the credits for 251 naval recruits "under the same rules laid down in my letter of July 9, 1864, to Governor Cony and Major Gardiner, appointing them a Commission," &c. That is, if the enlistments were in Maine, "to assume that the State is entitled to credit for them, unless it shall appear by more direct evidence that the credits belong elsewhere." We have only verbal testimony of the terms of the special orders to credit the names borne on the Marine Corps lists offered by Pike & Colby and Cochrane. The authority given seems to have been to credit said names to districts and sub-districts in the State of Maine. This authority gave to the Naval Commission in the first class, and to the A. A. P. M. General of Maine in the other classes, authority which they were bound to exercise in good faith and according to law. It did not require them to credit the men to Heath, Farwell, Manley, Pike, Gordon, Higgins, or any other broker or person. The Adjutant and Inspector of the Marine Corps, through the Secretary of the Navy, in a communication dated December 20, 1870, says: "The muster rolls of the Marine Corps are under the charge of the Commanding officers of Stations, Receiving Ships, and Rendezvous, and the Adjutant and Inspector's Office at Head Quarters. No recruiting agent or person, other than those employed as clerks in the above named offices could have had control of or access to them."

No recruiting officer or other person could lawfully have the original rolls to carry them into different states. No certified copy of the rolls could be properly furnished, except upon a formal request for them by the Executive, by Congress, or by a governor of a state, or by some other recognized public officer.

If any officer or clerk furnished such copy, or the original, to any unauthorized person, it would be a misdemeanor for which he would be liable to dismission from office, and if it was done corruptly, with the knowledge that it was to be used unlawfully, he would be liable to arrest and punishment. An officer or clerk that would furnish such certified rolls for money, would furnish as many similar ones as would be paid for. However obtained, such certified roll (if not a forgery) was only evidence that certain names were names of men in the service. Any other evidence, as of a man who had surreptitiously copied a roll or record, would be nothing more or less than similar evidence. The only value of any such paper was that certain officials, who had that discretion, ordered the names on it to be distributed and credited to towns called upon for men, by which act the parties allowed to control it were enabled to sell the names upon it to such towns. For such order such parties could well afford to pay a large gratuity. Having obtained it, the only risk ran was that some other speculator might buy a similar attested copy, procure a similar order, and compete with them in offering the names to towns. There was probably cunning if not honor enough among this class not generally to operate in the same state, though we have no knowledge that the Cochrane list and the Delany list were not of the same men, and each parts of the Colby & Pike list. The ambiguous terms of the order which left the State to which they were to be credited, blank, favored such repetition.

The recruiting agents who had come into possession of these papers, whether or not in violation of any rule or law, may have done some meritorious service, or furnished some useful information, for which they were entitled to receive some equitable commission or compensation. Their claim to absolute ownership of the rolls or lists, in the absence of all authority from the men themselves to assign them and collect local bounties for them, was a claim not defined by any law, or founded upon any equitable consideration. The actual assignment of these men was virtually to these brokers, who dictated the towns upon whose quotas they should be placed, such towns paying to the brokers an average price of $400 per man for such privilege.

We fail to see the fairness and good faith of such distribution, nor do we see how an assignment to certain towns which had bought claims to credits for certain enlistments of brokers claiming to control the lists on which their names were borne, can be

justified as a strict or literal execution of an order—which order was itself illegal—to "credit to districts and sub-districts of Maine."

It was doubtless inconvenient, if not impossible, to deduct these men from the whole quota of the State, and call only for the number assigned to the State after such deduction. But Gov. Cony himself had indicated how a discretion to credit generally to Maine, or to districts and sub-districts thereof, should be exercised, when he had decided to "allow *unclaimed* and hence *general* naval credits to such poor and meritorious localities as were deemed most deserving of them." Here were from eight hundred to one thousand men that, by some stroke of luck, or, as it appears, by an illegal or unauthorized order of the competent military authority, had fallen to the general credit of the State. There was no reason why they might not have been distributed upon some fair and equal rule in the manner that other men, substantially of the same class, had been disposed of. But the lists were in private hands of persons who claimed ownership of them, and who, if their claims had not been respected, would have carried them to other States. True, as to the first Heath list, the claim to private ownership seems to have been disregarded, and when the marine corps list was first offered it was summarily seized by Major Gardiner, against the protest of the ostensible owner, and sent to Washington. It is altogether probable, however, that these very proceedings made the manipulators of the lists more cautious, and that having an order to credit, which was either equivocal in terms, by the name of the State being left blank, or capable of being changed, they left to the military authorities the alternative either to distribute the names as they should indicate, or to call upon the towns for so many more real men.

Important facilities seemed to have been furnished by the selectmen of towns, who gave certificates of residence of such men as were transferred from the general credit to the credit of such towns. It must be remembered that these papers were prepared by the brokers, and the plausible reasons to explain away scruples can be found in the testimony. The strong interest that officials, both State and local, had to abate the rigor of the draft, to allay the apprehensions and opposition of the towns, which in some places amounted to a panic and almost to a sedition, made them naturally eager to obtain whatever advantages, in the way of exemption or factitious supply of men, were fairly within their

reach. Rumors, perhaps exaggerated, of shifts resorted to in other states, by shrewd operators and unscrupulous officers, to fill quotas without recruiting men, stimulated competition. A too harsh judgment, particularly after this lapse of time, upon what was done or overlooked in a deplorable season of national and local distress, would not be responded to by the public sympathy.

The sums shown to have been received by brokers for credits, to which, if the State was entitled at all, it was entitled without pay, seem in the aggregate enormously disproportioned to the triviality of the services rendered and the slight risks incurred by the purchasers. The bargain seemed to be one of absolute security to the purchasers. They were not to pay in any case unless the proper military authority sanctioned the assignment, and as the contract to sell had been, in many cases, conditionally made, and even the purchase money advanced, and as the market was sure and rising, no investment ever offered a more tempting opportunity for quick returns and large profits. Possibly intending only a slight commission above the advances they were to make, they found themselves compelled afterwards, by the uncontrollable laws of demand and supply, to rise in the prices of their wares, just as the holders of everything salable in California after the gold discoveries, or in all the north after the late suspension of specie payments, found everything appreciating on their hands. As soon as you begin to buy and sell men, you bring them as much under the laws of trade as are corn and cloth.

We have already indicated as distinctly as we deem necessary, our views in reference to the right of towns to recover the moneys paid to brokers for naval and other suspicious credits. Some expectation may have been entertained that we should in some way revise the action of the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and let in for reimbursement the towns furnishing themselves with what are called "paper credits," the claim for reimbursement for which was disallowed by said commission. We understand, however, that the ground for such disallowance was that the existing laws did not cover that class of cases. It is for the Legislature, and not for us, to say whether the class for which reimbursement has already been provided shall be enlarged by further enactments. We doubt if the great majority of towns in this State which sent their young men to the battle-field will consent, or ought to consent, to contribute in taxes to provide a bonus for the comparatively few towns which purchased fictitious credits,

and the nominal service of unknown persons and fictitious persons of recruiting agents and brokers. The advantage of saving from draft and recruitment their own men, was an advantage fully equivalent to the hundred dollars which the State has denied, and at the time it was supposed to be equivalent to much more than that. When it is considered that as dearly as paper credits came to be rated in the competition of towns, real, home men always ruled some hundred dollars higher in the market, and that for these latter a provision for the support of the families had to be advanced, the balance of pecuniary advantage will be found to be in favor of those towns whose quotas were filled by the class of credits which we have investigated.

All of which is respectfully reported.

GEORGE F. TALBOT.
SELDEN CONNOR.

APPENDIXES.

APPENDIX A.

The following papers accompany the foregoing Report, and are made a part of it, viz:

1. Depositions of officers and agents of towns, and papers annexed thereto.

2. Depositions of brokers.

3. Depositions of officers and others.

4. Abstract from testimony of officers and agents of towns, containing name of town, name of witness, names of men said to have been furnished, name of broker of whom the purchase was made, the price paid, and the class to which the credits were said to belong, and other data.

5. Correspondence, through the Governor, with the War and Navy Departments.

6. Copies of correspondence between the Naval Commission and A. A. P. M. General of Maine with the Provost Marshal General of the United States.

7. Copy of distribution of the 251 naval list.

8. Communication of A. B. Farwell to Portland Advertiser of October 5, 1869.

9. Specimen copy of return of men in Navy, claimed to be residents of town of Mercer.

List of Depositions of Officers and Agents of Towns.

Name of Witness.	Name of Town.	Name of Witness.	Name of Town.
William H. Small	Alna.	Aaron S. Lyford	Mt. Vernon.
Josiah Bailey	Andover.	James R. Marston*	Mt. Vernon.
Albert Moore	Anson.	George W. Whitney*	Newport.
Reuben Stodder	Athens.	Elisha W. Shaw	Newport.
S. L. Tobey	Athens.	Eliot Walker	Newport.
Seth Lee*	Atkinson.	Warren P. Dyer	New Portland.
R. A. Snow	Atkinson.	James Mulligan*	Nobleborough.
Thomas Littlefield	Auburn.	Horatio N. Page	Norridgewock.
Israel G. Kimball*	Bethel.	Haven A. Butler	North Berwick.
Chandler Baker	Bingham.	O. C. Greeley	Palermo.
John Montgomery*	Boothbay.	Samuel Clement	Palmyra.
Arnold Blaney	Bristol.	John Brackett, 2d	Parsonsfield.
Josiah Merrow*	Bowdoinham.	Benjamin Tarbox	Phillips.
George L. Riggs*	Chesterville.	Frederic J. Parks	Phipsburg.
Nathan Redlon	China.	A. H. Clark	Pittston.
A. H. Abbot	China.	H. B. Connor	Pittsfield.
Corydon Felker of Solon*	Concord.	Levi Andrews*	Pl's'nt Ridge pl.
Robert Knowles	Corinna.	Moses S. Moulton	Porter.
Winckworth S. Allen	Corinna.	James Carney*	Richmond.
William L. Prince	Cumberland.	T. J. Southard*	Richmond.
Albion G. Huston	Damariscotta.	Prentiss M. Putnam*	Rumford.
S. P. Waterhouse	Detroit.	Elisha S. Case*	Readfield.
Tristram P. Sawyer	Dexter.	John Richards*	Salem.
George S. Comins*	Eddington.	Geo. A. Frost,* affidavit of	Sanford.
Thomas Cunningham	Edgecomb.	Horatio Hight*	Scarborough.
William Atkinson*	Embden.	William A. Shaw	Sidney.
John Gray	Embden.	James Shearman	Sidney.
Albert N. Greenwood	Fairfield.	Isaac W. Varney	Smithfield.
Micah Stockbridge	Freeport.	Moses Dunsmoor	Smithfield.
Nathan O. True	Freeport.	Daniel R. Matthews	Southport.
Robert Geyer	Friendship.	Henry Williamson	Starks.
Nelson Thompson	Friendship.	Alf'd A. Eastman of Chatham, N. H.,	Stow.
Augustus Sprague	Greene.		
M. G. Shaw	Greenville.	Benjamin Hunter*	Strong.
Willard Herrick	Greenwood.	S. F. Small	Temple.
William Richardson	Greenwood.	Joseph H. Jacobs	Thomaston.
Ariel Wall	Hallowell.	Danford Carroll	Union.
Joseph A. Magoon	Harmony.	James Fowler, Jr*	Unity.
Joseph S. Mendall	Hartford.	Orrick Hawes	Vassalborough.
Artell Hall of Newcastle	Jefferson.	S. W. Jackson	Waldoborough.
William Emery	Lebanon.	Otis W. Fabyan of Lewiston	Wales.
Benjamin Turner*	Leeds.	Harding L. Watts, Monm'th	Wales.
Jacob B. Ham*	Lewiston.	Moses R. Mathews	Warren.
Horace C. White*	Lisbon.	Joseph Percival	Waterville.
Thomas Holmes	Litchfield.	Jesse Davis*	Webster.
John Woodbury	Litchfield.	James McCarty	Westport.
Orison Rollins,	Livermore.	Isaac H. Coffin	Wiscasset.
Sullivan Kilbreth	Manchester.	Colby C. Cornish	Winslow.
S. B. Walton	Mercer.	C. A. Wing	Winthrop.
John Larrabee	Mexico.	George Goodwin	Wells.
Ambrose Beal	Monmouth.		

Depositions of Brokers.

Josiah H. Greeley.	F. Kenrick.	John N. Stimson.
G. M. Delany.	T. H. Hubbard.	D. T. Pike.
S. C. Archer.	G. P. Cochrane.	A. B. Farwell.
Frank Davis.	William C. Simmons.	H. A. Williams.
O. K. Yates.	T. H. Dinsmore.	Z. R. Wright.
Joseph F. Nye.	James P. Hill.	Ira D. Sturgis.

* See Report of Select Committee of the Senate, page 39.

Depositions of Officers and others.

H. S. Osgood.	Charles K. Partridge.	Wm. H. Chesley, and papers referred to in it.
B. H. Hinds.	George N. Page.	W. Atkinson, and correspondence with Maj. Gardiner.
John L. Hodsdon.	John T. Hull.	
James M. Stone.	Hiram Ruggles.	

GEO. F. TALBOT.
SELDEN CONNOR.

REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

To the Honorable Senate of Maine:

Your Committee, to which was referred the testimony and papers accompanying the report of the commission of the paper credit investigation, for the purpose of recommending what portion of the same should be printed, have examined the said testimony and papers therewith connected, as carefully as their time would allow, and find that there are several depositions of town officers, or other persons who testified in behalf of the several towns, which are of no essential importance to the report of said commission, or, as furnishing information of public interest. It is also found, that in many instances several depositions cover the same ground, and hence add nothing to the completion of the history of the matters relative to which such depositions pertain. We therefore conclude that the depositions, or affidavits, of the following named persons, together with the papers thereto annexed, should not be printed, viz:

Seth Lee, J. R. Marston, George W. Whitney, James Carney, Josiah Merrow, Benjamin Hunter, Jacob B. Ham, Corydon Felker, John Richards, John Montgomery, James Mulligan, Prentiss M. Putnam, James Fowler, Jr., H. C. White, I. G. Kimball, Horatio Hight, G. A. Frost, Benjamin Turner, Levi Andrews, George L. Riggs, T. J. Southard, Jesse Davis, George S. Comins, Elisha S. Case, and the first deposition of William Atkinson.

We find among the papers, which were submitted by the commission, three schedules or tables marked "A," "C" and "D," a large portion of which consists of information common to all.

Therefore we have consolidated the information contained in the *three* in table *A*, thus retaining all the information in a much more compact form. We recommend that table "A," as now made up, be printed, and tables "C" and "D" be *not* printed.

We find that table "B" is mainly a verification of the assignments shown in table "A," and recommend that it be not printed.

We recommend that all the testimony and papers thereto annexed, and all the schedules and other papers accompanying the report of the commission, be printed except as above specified.

Mr. A. C. Walker, who was the clerk of the commission, has called our attention to a letter from the War Department, accompanied by certified copies of telegrams and letters on file in that department, which letter and copies are in answer to the letter of the commission of January 6th, 1871, to the Governor, and by him forwarded to the War Department. A copy of this letter is with the papers referred to us, but the answer as above described had not reached the commission at the time of making their report. We think this letter and accompanying copies are *essential*, and accordingly recommend that they also be printed.

We further recommend that this, our report, be printed with the said papers as showing *all* the papers that are omitted in the printing, and *why* they are so omitted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DAVID DUDLEY.
S. T. HINKS.
SAMUEL E. SMITH.

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IN SENATE, February 8, 1871.

Read and accepted, and recommendations adopted.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX B.

EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTS

ACCOMPANYING THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS ON "PAPER CREDITS."

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, May 28, 1870.

JOSEPH PERCIVAL of Waterville, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Question. I understood you to say you was chairman of the Selectmen of Waterville in 1864?

Answer. I was.

Q. Have you any papers showing how Waterville filled its quotas under call of October 1863, February, March, July and December 1864?

A. I have certain papers here which I have not had time to examine this morning, but I presume I have such papers. (Presents a package of papers which were immediately marked A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H.)

Q. It would seem that Waterville paid J. P. Deering & Co. certain amounts and to Pike & Colby certain amounts. Have you their receipts?

A. I have Pike & Colby's for $4,250, hereto annexed, marked "A." I have Deering & Co.'s account, settled for $11,050, hereto annexed, marked "B," and I had receipts for that amount and they should be with the papers.

Q. Will you look at the names on the certificate of the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General, dated January 2, 1865, marked "D," and see if the men were residents of Waterville?

A. (Witness looks.) They were not residents of Waterville, I think. I do not recognize the names.

Q. Which of the members of the firm of Deering & Co. did you negotiate with?

A. All were present.

Q. Where did each member of the firm reside?

A. J. P. Deering and Wm. C. Simmons resided in Augusta; J. P. Hill resided in Waterville.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Who commenced the negotiation with the firm?

A. Hill came to me, I think.

Q. Under what call were the credits to be made?

A. I don't know; some call of 1864.

Q. What representations about the men and ability of the firm to furnish men did Mr. Hill make to you?

A. My impression is now that he said he had control of certain men which he could place upon our quota, or could furnish upon our quota, and had authority to have credited and would have credited to us if we would buy them. I replied that if they will fill our quota, be accepted by the Provost Marshal, we will take them, and when he furnishes us the evidence that they have been mustered in we will pay for them. He said you can make inquiry of General Hodsdon and see what he says.

Q. Did you ask him as to his authority to control these men or credits?

A. Yes. He said Navy men had not been assigned to towns and could now be, and that they had the control of them or some of them. This conversation was at Waterville. I afterwards came to Augusta and saw Deering and Simmons, and renewed the conversation with them. They said Mr. Hill was authorized to make the statement and they would carry the agreement into effect.

Q. Did you question Deering & Co. at Augusta as to their authority to control these men, and if so, what was their reply?

A. I do not recollect that I did.

Q. Did either of the firm refer you to the Adjutant General for information as to their authority to control these men?

A. I think they did, each of them. They said I could satisfy myself as to their authority by inquiring of General Hodsdon.

Q. Did you inquire of the Adjutant General, and if so, what information did he give you?

A. I did. I had several conversations with him in regard to the matter. He said, "If you see them credited to your quota that is all you need."

Q. What sums were you authorized at that time to pay for men?

A. I considered myself authorized to pay as high as $600,—one hundred dollars for recruiting fee and $500 for bounty.

Q. Were these two sums exclusive of any bounty the recruit was entitled to receive from the State or General Government?

A. They were. It was for town bounty simply.

Q. On being satisfied from this interview with the Adjutant General, did you or not, close the trade, and what was the trade?

A. I did, and agreed to give $525 each for three years' men, $425 for two years' men, and $325 for one year's men. I first bought ten (10) men of Deering & Co., which were put down as *one* year's men, but Hill said he could have them changed to three years if we were particular about it.

Q. Did you ask either of the firm how these men came at their disposal, and whether they had paid any consideration for them?

A. I don't recollect that I did, or that they made any conversation about that.

Q. Did you understand that these men which you were buying were in the naval service of the United States?

A. I did so understand.

Q. Why did you pay these sums of money to these men for such credits any more than to any other men?

A. They said they had the control of them, and Gen. Hodsdon had said that if I saw them credited to our quota he did not see why I would not be safe in paying for them.

Q. When and in what manner did you make your payments for them?

A. Payment was by myself in cash at the time specified in the receipts, except in one case.

Q. Now what papers were signed on their part or on yours?

A. I signed no writing. The contract was verbal. They brought me the certificate of Assistant Provost Marshal General, which is hereto annexed, marked D, before referred to, and gave me their receipts, one dated January 11, 1865, marked E, for $2500, and the other dated January 16, 1865, marked F, for $750. Both are hereto annexed.

Q. When this certificate was brought to you, were you requested to sign any certificate or papers as to the residence of the men?

A. No; not at any time, nor did any other town officer to my knowledge.

Q. Did you present claim for reimbursement for these men, among others to the Committee on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I understood they were presented, and that as to these men the claim was disallowed. I did not present the claim myself.

Q. Has the town or its officers ever made any demand of Deering & Co. to recover the amount paid for these men?

A. The town agent informs me that the town has brought a suit to recover the money paid for them.

Q. Did the firm of Deering & Co. say anything as to the cost to them of these men?

A. Mr. Hill said that the men had cost them a good deal, and that the firm was not making only a fair compensation. I bantered him to get the men as low as possible, and he said there were towns enough that would give that and more.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. How many men did you purchase of Deering & Co.?

A. I think 26 in all, as per paper marked "B," before referred to.

Q. Have you receipts for certain men other than the ten which have been mentioned?

A. I think I have, but I have not found them this morning.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, May 30, 1870.

JOSEPH PERCIVAL appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you purchase any men or names of Messrs. Pike & Colby for the quota of Waterville?

A. I did, sir.

Q. Did you take a certificate of enrolment of the Acting Provost Marshal General, and a similar certificate of the Commissioner of Enrolment?

A. I did, and the original papers are annexed to this deposition and marked "C" and "G," respectively.

Q. Of whom did the firm of Pike & Colby consist, and what was their business at the time?

A. Daniel T. Pike of Augusta, and Colby, I think, of Augusta. I don't know his Christian name. They advertised as substitute brokers.

Q. With whom did you first negotiate with reference to the purchase of ten men?

A. My first negotiation was with a man by the name of Hurd, who claimed to act as agent or runner for the firm of Pike & Colby.

Q. What did Hurd say in reference to the men or the matter of furnishing the men, and when did you see him first?

A. He called on me first at Waterville. He says we have the control of men that we can furnish you, ten or more. I inquired who he meant by we; he said responsible parties—I will take you to responsible parties.

Q. Was there anything said by Hurd about the price at which men could be furnished, if so, what?

A. He said he could furnish me with ten three years' men for $425 each, for our town.

Q. Was anything said by him as to who the men were, and how they were obtained?

A. I don't know that I can fix the language he used. My impression is now he told me that these men they had got control of through an agency they had at Washington—unassigned men, in the service unassigned to any quota. By *they* I understood him to mean the responsible parties, aforesaid, not named.

Q. Did Mr. Hurd at that time tell you anything about the parties whom he represented, as to how they derived their right to sell them?

A. I don't recollect that he did.

Q. Did you have any other conversation with Hurd in reference to the men?

A. He told me then, or while we were coming down to Augusta together, that the parties he represented were Messrs. Pike & Colby of Augusta. I said I knew Pike, and said I considered him responsible, and when they produced evidence that these men were credited to the quota of Waterville the money would be ready.

Q. Did you come down to Augusta with Hurd and go with him to see Messrs. Pike & Colby?

A. I did.

Q. What further conversation did you have with P. & C.?

A. I met Mr. Pike, and by him was introduced to Mr. C. at their place of business in Augusta. I stated to them the proposition that Mr. Hurd had made about furnishing ten men for our quota, and they said they would carry it into effect. I don't recollect which talked, both were present. I said to them that I should pay the money when they brought me the evidence that they were credited on the quota of Waterville.

Q. Did you inquire of P. & C. who the men were which they proposed to furnish; if they paid anything for them, or how they obtained authority to sell them? and did they, or either of them, make any statement in reference to those matters?

A. I am not certain that they did. My impression is that they confirmed the statements of Hurd, but did not make any particular statement as to how they procured the men. I got the impression through some of the parties with whom I negotiated that there was an agency in Washington through which these men or credits came, but think that I learned most about this through D. & Co., and then learned from Hurd that these ten men were a part of the same lot of men, ten of which I had previously bought of D. & Co.

Q. Was Hurd present during your conversation with P. & C.?

A. He was.

Q. Who delivered to you the papers marked "C" and "G"?

A. I am not certain, but my impression is that Mr. H. showed me at Waterville one of these, that is, a certificate from the P. M. Gen. that the men had been mustered.

Q. After you had the conversation that you have testified about, did you or not return home?

A. I did. I had to wait for certificates that the men were mustered or credited.

Q. Did you come down to Augusta again to consummate the business, or did P. & C, send you the papers at Waterville?

A. I did. I came down again in a short time after the certificates and brought the money, and on receiving these two certificates and receipts marked "C," "G" and "A," respectively, I paid over the money specified in said receipt marked "A."

Q. Did either P. or C. at that time make any statement about the men?

A. I have no recollection.

Q. How long have you lived in Waterville, and are you well acquainted with the residents in that town?

A. I have lived in Waterville since 1833, and am well acquainted with the residents.

Q. Look over the list of names in the certificate marked "C" and state whether they are names of persons that have ever resided in Waterville to your knowledge.

A. (Looks over the names.) They are not the names of residents of Waterville or of families residing there.

Q. Did you sign any certificate or other paper, or did any town officer of Waterville to your knowledge, certifying these men as residents of Waterville?

A. No sir; I have no recollection of signing such paper, or of either of my associates signing such paper, or that I or they signed any paper, or that any was presented to us for signature in reference to these men.

Q. Have claims for reimbursement for those men been presented to the Com. on E. M. W. D., and if so were they or not allowed?

A. They were presented and were not allowed, as I am informed, on the ground that there was no evidence that any such men were ever in service.

Q. Has the town of Waterville made any demand of P. & C. for the refunding of the money paid them for these men?

A. I am informed by the town agent that the town has made a demand by suing P. & C., and attaching their property, and that the suit is now pending.

Q. Since Saturday have you made a search for additional list of men bought of D. & Co., and if so, with what success?

A. I have made search, but have not found it. I am positive that we had a list other than the one I have furnished, but it has been lost or mislaid. I think so from the fact that this letter marked "H" was sent to the town officers of Waterville.

Q. Were sixteen of the men furnished by D. & Co. bona fide men?

A. I think there were not so many as sixteen, but I have no list of paper men other than the ten before referred to.

Q. How long was your negotiation progressing with J. P. Deering & Co.?

A. Some days; perhaps some weeks.

Q. Was any reference made by them to any of the military officials at the State House with regard to the acceptance of the men which they proposed to sell to you, and if so, what?

A. There was. Hill said the matter of the acceptance of those men was under advisement by the Commission, consisting, I think, of the Governor and the A. A. P. Marshal, and if they decided to allow the men, then our trade was to be perfected. There was a man here from Massachusetts whose name was Burrell I think, who said he had a lot of men in the same way, and he proposed to sell us some; but we did not buy of him because they were not received by the authorities at Washiugton. He claimed that the men were residents of this State. He had a list of the men and a certificate of the mustering officer. These papers were shown to the Commission here, and the Adjutant General—that is my impression—sent them on to Washington, and they were disallowed, and consequently the trade fell through.

JOSEPH PERCIVAL.

JOHN GRAY of Embden, sworn and examined.

I, John Gray of Embden, being of lawful age testify and say, I was chairman of the Selectmen of Embden from 1860 to 1866. I obtained men or credits of men on the quota of the town of Embden of Messrs. Pike & Colby during the war—it was for the call of December, 1864. I came to Augusta. Our able-bodied men were entirely exhausted. We thought it best to do as other towns did—raise money and procure men elsewhere. I came to Augusta by direction of the

town, under a recorded vote of the town. I think I had some talk with J. P. D. & Co., also with Hill of Waterville, who was a runner for the P. Mar. of the 3d Dist. I think Hill & Deering were together in the office of the latter, where I went to see what I could do. I told him I was in want of ten or a dozen men, and came for the purpose of making a trade. I then questioned them about the amount of money they should ask for men. I had a letter from Deering stating that he was in the business of furnishing men. They said they had men that they could furnish. I think it was D. who said that they should ask $500. After consulting them as to price I said I would look around town further and see what I could do. I then left the office. Mr. D. then said that Pike & Colby furnished men, and Mr. Reed and some others, but that they could do by me as well as any of them. In the afternoon I fell in with Mr. Hill. He came to me in the bar-room of the Cushnoc House. He said if I would trade with D. & Co. he thought that they would soften a little on their offer. I spoke to him in a low tone and asked him to make his best figures. I think I handed him my pencil and he marked down $475, and said "there, that is my last and best offer." I said I was there for my town and wanted to make the best trade that I could, then I added I should look further, I was going to canvass the town, and if I could not do any better I thought I should trade with him. I then proceeded down to Water street, to the office of P. & C. I think I met old uncle Pike just going up the stairs. I spoke to him before he went in. He told me that they had men—some unassigned men. After proceeding up chamber into the office he introduced me as one of the Selectmen of the town of Embden, who wanted some men to fill a quota, to Mr. Colby. At first Mr. Colby thought that they were the same as played out, but after looking over the books he thought he had about twelve or fourteen left, and that I was in luck—just in the nick of time. The next question I asked them was the price. I told them I would want twelve three years' men. They then informed me that $450 was the least dollar they could talk with me about; that they had no more than they could sell readily at that price,—'twas that or no trade. I then commenced inquiring as to the manner or how they got those recruits, and who they were. They told me that they were re-enlisted navy men—marines or navy men—navy men was the word they used; that they were obtained by an agent in Washington, and their bounties paid them by an agent in Washington, and their names sent or transmitted to them to be sold to such towns as would buy them and pay for them to be allowed on their quotas. I questioned them to know if they could tell me where these men actually belonged, and they seemed to have no accurate knowledge. They said they were men who had enlisted early in the war and had re-enlisted. I then told P & C. that I would consider their proposition until the next morning. I wished to consult the proper military authorities here at Augusta; I wished to know from them if these men would be properly credited and allowed the same as bona fide men enlisted and mustered in here. Upon that I left them and came up to see Gen. Hodsdon. I laid my case before him, and told him what I was about to do, described the case as near as I could, told him I had talked with P. & C.—asked him if the recruits would be all right—would answer our purpose the same as bona fide

men enlisted here. He told me they would. He added it would be better for us—better for the government; it would prevent the risk of loss by desertion and bounty jumping. I told Gen. Hodsdon that I was going to buy these men of Pike & Colby—I was going to pay for them; I don't know that I told him what I was going to pay per man; and he said it would be safe to pay money for these men. I then proceeded to A. P. Davis' office; I was then intimately acquainted with him. He was Provost Marshal of this the 3d district. I then informed him what I was about to do; that I had bargained with Pike & Colby for twelve men; that I was going to pay them quite an amount of money, and I wanted to know of him, after instructing him what they had said to me, if the names would be accepted by him. I told Davis that they had informed me that these men were men they had re-enlisted into the navy by an agent in Washington who had paid their bounties there, and had transmitted or sent the names to them to be sold to the towns that would pay for them. I communicated to him just what Pike & Colby had told me relative to these men. Davis said the names, when brought forward and credited on their books, would be just the same to us as men enlisted here and mustered in. He said the names should be credited when brought by Pike & Colby, and would be as well and even better than bona fide men enlisted and mustered in here. I went over then to Major Littler's office, the A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine, and had an interview with him. I says to him I was about to purchase men of Pike & Colby. I told him what they told me, that they were men that they had enlisted by an agent in Washington, and if I bought and paid for them I asked him if it would be as well as if I bought bona fide men here and had them mustered in here. His answer to me was, that they would, given rather short and abruptly.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Did Maj. Littler, before giving this answer make any inquiry of you concerning the origin of the these men, and the character of the arrangement you had made with Pike & Colby?

A. He did not. He was very impatient in his appearance, and answered very abruptly, as above stated, as soon as I had asked the question. I then left him. I think the next morning I stepped in, to see Capt. Holmes, an officer connected with the A. A. P. M. General, and stated the facts relative to the transaction with Pike & Colby very much as I had stated them to Gen. Hodsdon, Capt. Davis and Major Littler. His reply was that it was his decided opinion that it would be all safe—all right, when the names were carried on to our quota. I proceeded over to Pike & Colby's and told them that in about a week I would come down with the money. That I would take the men. I procured the money and returned in about a week. I met Mr. Pike and asked him if the names of the men I bought of him were carried on to the quota of our town. He said they had been, according to our agreement. I then proceeded over to the Pro. Mar. Office and called the attention of Joseph T. Woodward to the matter, and wanted to see the books to see whether we had had any additions to our credits. He proceeded to examine the books and found the names of twelve men that had been brought forward there by Messrs.

Pike & Colby. I then told him he might make make me out a certificate of credit for them. The paper under date of Feb. 4, 1865, which I annex, is the paper which Woodward made me. Paper marked "A."

Q. Are these the names of persons that are now or ever have been residents of Embden or the State of Maine, to your knowledge?

A. They are not of either. I went over to the office and found Daniel T. Pike, who took me to the bank underneath his office, and I then paid him a check on Boston for $4,000 and $1,400 in money, and received the receipt dated Feb. 4, 1865, signed by Pike & Colby, marked "B," and annexed to my deposition.

Q. At this time was there any further conversation in regard to these men?

A. I think not.

Q. At the time did you sign, or did any of your town officers sign, any certificate or statement, or even a blank relative to the residence of these men?

A. No, neither I nor any other officer or citizen to my knowledge then or at any time.

Q. Did the town of Embden make a claim to the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts for reimbursement for these twelve men, and if so, what was the result?

A. I understand that it did, and that the claim was disallowed for want of sufficient evidence that the men were actually in service.

Q. Did you at any time negotiate with Delany & Co. for men to be credited on your town quota, if so state the particulars of the negotiation.

A. In October, 1864, we needed 14 men to fill the quota of Embden, and I came to Delany & Co. to procure the men. They put in 12 men who were actually mustered, and for the other two they gave me the annexed certificate marked "C." I never knew any names for these two, and never knew that they were mustered. I think in one volume of the Adj't General's Reports I have seen a credit for two marine men to the quota of Embden, but I don't know in what volume. We paid them $8,000 for the 14 men, as appears by paper marked "D," hereto annexed.

AUGUSTA, Me., Tuesday, May 31, 1870.

JOHN GRAY of Embden appeared, and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. After looking at this paper which is the claim filed with the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts by the authorities of your town, state whether the claim for the two men of which you were speaking last night was allowed.

A. (Witness looks at claim.) They were claimed and disallowed. I and my associate selectman, Mr. Boothby, came to Augusta, and we took this certificate for two men (cert. marked "D") to Gen. Hodsdon, who said it would be all right. The certificate would be good on our quota. We then proceeded back to the P. Mar. office, Capt. Davis, and presented the same certificate to him, and asked his opinion as to the value of it. He said it would be good for our quota—for to answer on our quota. I think then we, with a bunch of certificates, proceeded to the office of Mr. Delany and paid him for that certificate, together with others which he had procured. We paid on the certiffcate $1,200 —six hundred dollars to a man.

JOHN GRAY.

AUGUSTA, Me., Wednesday, June 1, 1870.

WM. H. SMALL of Alna, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. State if you or any other person, acting for Alna, obtained men to be credited on the quota of Alna, and if so when, how many, and of whom were they obtained, and at what sum per man?

A. I did, as one of the board of selectmen of Alna, in company with Edward Robinson, chairman of the board of selectmen, and Asa Sawyer, who was one of the selectmen. I think it was January 20, 1865—nine men. I bought the men of Mr. Colby, of the firm of Colby & Pike, at Augusta. I paid them $4,005 for the nine men, eight of whom were three years' men, and one a one year's man. I think Mr. Colby first made the proposition to me to sell the men to me. He told me that he had men that he had enlisted and had mustered into the service. I asked him if these were paper men or real men and he said, "they are real men. I enlisted them and had them mustered into service, and they are not assigned to any town." Then he told me that "if you have any doubts about it you can inquire of the Provost Marshal." I went and inquired of Joseph T. Woodward, the Commissioner of Enrolment. I asked him if he considered the men that Pike & Colby were selling to towns were real men. He says, I think they are; at any rate I am so well satisfied that our town sent down and I filled its quota with these men, or that I am to fill its quota with these men. I have forgotten whether he said he had filled the quota with these

men or was going to fill it with these men. He gave me this certificate, hereunto annexed, marked "A." I went then to Pike & Colby's office and paid them $4,005, as per receipt hereunto annexed, marked "B." I received the communication hereunto annexed, and marked "C," by mail.

Q. State, if you recollect, on what quota or quotas these men were credited.

A. On the call of December 19, 1864, I think.

Q. State if you purchased any credits other than those above said, and if so when, of whom, and what did you pay per man?

A. I purchased ten men some time in August or September, 1864, of T. M. Stevens, then of Pittston, and paid $1750 for the ten, as per receipt hereunto annexed and marked "D." The men were represented to me to be three years' men. I wrote to Mr. Stevens, and he came to Alna to see me. I asked him if these were real men, and he said they were, and showed me a paper containing a list of names, some seventy-five or a hundred I think. The paper was from an officer on board of the receiving ship Ohio. The purport of that paper was, as I understood by reading of it, that these men were enlisted by Mr. Stevens for three years, and that he, Mr. Stevens, had authority to dispose of the men. I told Mr. Stevens that I should not pay him for the men until I got a certificate from the military authorities at Augusta that these men were all right, and were accepted or credited on our quota. He told me then that I could be satisfied by going to Maj. Gardiner's office at Augusta. I came to Augusta. I did not see Maj. Gardiner, but saw, I think, Mr. Fogler, one of the clerks as I understood, of Maj. Gardiner's office. I asked him if these men were all right, telling him what I knew of the men, and who I was having them of. He says, "I will step in and ask Maj. Gardiner about them," and went into another room. He came out and told me that he, Maj. Gardiner, was having some correspondence with the War Department about these men, and he should *not allow* them until he got some instructions from the War Department—War or Navy Department, I am not certain which. I went out and told Mr. Stevens, who was then here in Augusta, and he said, "I want my pay for the men here to-day. I can sell them to other towns, and will do it if you don't pay me." I think he said he could sell them for $300 per man. I told him I should not pay him until I had something to show that they were credited to the town of Alna. I went back into Maj. Gardiner's office and saw some of the clerks, I don't recollect whom, and they told me that if the men were allowed at all, they should be allowed to Alna. I did not see Maj. Gardiner at this time. I went home then and did not pay for them. A short time after I came to Augusta again and had conversation with a clerk in Maj. Gardiner's office, whose name I do not now recollect. I asked him if these men would be allowed to Alna, and he told me that they had been allowed. I then received the annexed certificate marked "E," and paid for them as before stated.

Q. Were the nine men whose names are mentioned in said certificate, marked "A," and purchased of Colby & Pike, residents of Alna at that time, or had they ever been residents, to your knowledge?

A. No sir.

Q. Please state, if you can, the names of the ten men purchased of said Stevens as above stated.

A. John Robinson, George Patterson, Charles Deanake, John Tucker, C. P. Rowe, R. McMillan, Thomas K. Norris, John Nicholas, Robert Williamson, George H. Davidson.

Q. Did you receive any certificate in which the names of these ten (10) men are mentioned?

A. No, sir; but these names were shown me on the paper from the officer of the Receiving Ship Ohio, as before mentioned. I copied them or received a copy from the list.

Q. Were these ten men residents of Alna at this time, or had they been before, to your knowledge?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you sign any certificate in relation to the residence of these men. I mean either the nine or the ten before mentioned?

A. I never signed any certificates or papers that would go to show that they were citizens or residents of Alna. I think I had a letter from some one at Maj. Gardiner's office, asking me if these men were citizens of the town of Alna, and I replied that they were not.

Q. Have you any recollection of signing any blank or paper touching these men at the request of any one, and if so, of whom?

A. It appears to me that we, the selectmen, did sign a paper in the Adj't General's office, or from the A. Gen.'s office, in relation to reimbursement for these men. I do not recollect of signing any other papers. This was about the time that these men were credited to Alna. I understood that this paper must be signed before the men would be allowed on the quota. That is my impression now. We kept no copy of the paper, to my recollection.

WM. H. SMALL.

AUGUSTA, Me., Saturday, June 4, 1870.

REUBEN STODDER, one of the selectmen of Athens, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Athens in 1864?

A. I was, sir.

Q. Did you in that year and in 1865 obtain credits, so called, to be allowed on quotas of Athens, and if so, of whom, how many, and at what price?

A. Yes, sir; we obtained credits in that year of Colby & Pike, and of a man by the name of Brown—D. H. Brown. According to my best recollection, eight of Colby & Pike and two of Brown. We paid Colby & Pike $3,600, as per receipt annexed marked "A." We paid Brown $850, as per receipt annexed marked "B." I acted with S. L. Tobey, who was one of the selectmen at that time, in making the negotiation for these men, and he did the principal part of the business. I cannot recollect whether we had two more men of Colby & Pike or not.

Q. Who proposed to you to sell these credits, or any of them?

A. We came to Augusta to procure some men, and after making some inquiries we went to the office of Pike & Colby and saw both of them I think.

Q. Please state what conversation you had with them touching the purchase of men to fill your quota.

A. We went in there and told them our business, and they told us they could furnish men for so much, naming the price, I think $500 apiece at first, and afterwards $475, and finally $450 apiece, which last named price we paid.

Q. State what they said about the men—about their authority to sell them on your quota.

A. According to my best recollection they stated that they had men out enlisting men.

Q. State, if you can recollect, how and where they said they obtained these men.

A. The impression I got from them was that they were fetching them from the Provinces, and picking up men anywhere that they could get them and make money on them. They so stated according to my best recollection.

Q. What, if anything, did you or Tobey say to them about your intention and purpose to obtain real men?

A. Well, sir, I don't know as anything was said about real men. We supposed we were going to get real men, just the same as though if we bargained for oxen, we should get real oxen.

Q. State, if you recollect, the time when you had this interview with Pike & Colby.

A. I think it was in December, 1864.

Q. State if anything was said by them about their furnishing papers to show you that they, the said men, had been allowed on your town's quota, and if so what did they say?

A. I think they weren't to have their money until they had mustered in the men to us. The understanding was that we should have men, and we should know that they had been put in for us by their furnishing us with the mustering officer's certificate.

Q. Did they furnish you with any certificate or paper showing that these men were allowed on the quotas of Athens?

A. Yes, sir, they did furnish us with a paper as per certificate hereunto annexed marked "C."

Q. Do you recollect the names of these eight men obtained as above said?

A. No, sir; but I recognize the annexed list of names marked "D" as a list which Mr. Tobey brought up to Athens and said it was a list of names of men which we bought of Pike & Colby.

Q. State what was said as to the residence of these men.

A. I do not recollect of hearing a word said about that.

Q. State, if within your knowledge, whether the residence of the men whose names are mentioned on said paper marked "D," was at that time or ever had been in Athens.

A. No, sir; not at that time or at any other.

Q. State where and when you met or saw said D. H. Brown of whom you purchased the two men above mentioned.

A. We met him at the same time we met Pike & Colby, or about the same time, at one of the public houses in Augusta.

Q. State according to your best recollection what was said by him and you in relation to the purchase of said men.

A. I think this Brown was a man Mr. Tobey was acquainted with, and we met him and was telling him what our business was and he said "I can furnish you with two men for three years." He at first asked, I think, $450 apiece.

Q. Did you purchase said men of him to be allowed on the quota of Athens, and if so, what did you pay for them?

A. I did, and paid $850, as per receipt marked "B," and before mentioned.

Q. What did Brown say as to how or where he obtained said men?

A. I don't think he said a word about it.

Q. Was anything said by him or you as to their being real men?

A. There was nothing said about their being anything else but real men. Our object was to purchase real men and nothing else.

Q. Was anything said by Brown as to his furnishing you with proper certificates or papers, showing that these men were allowed on the quota of Athens?

A. I think there was, sir, as appears by agreement and receipt marked "B," to which reference has been had. The substance of what he said and all he said, I think, is in said receipt.

Q. Did he furnish such certificate or paper?

A. I suppose he did, but I can't find it among the papers which we have here.

Q. Was anything said as to the residence of these men being in Athens?

A. No, sir, there was nothing said about their residence being in Athens.

Q. Was anything said by Brown as to where he obtained these men?

A. No, sir, I don't recollect that there was.

Q. Do you recollect of signing any paper, either certifying or claiming that the residence of said eight men named on said paper marked "D" was in Athens?

A. No, sir, I don't; we never calculated that they lived there. We knew that they did not live there.

R. STODDER.

AUGUSTA, Me., Monday, June 6, 1870.

WILLIAM A. SHAW of Sidney, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Sidney in 1864?

A. I was, and have been ever since. I undertook as such with the other two selectmen to supply the quota of men assigned to Sidney under the President's call for volunteers of July, 1864.

Q. How many men were required to fill said quota?

A. Fifteen, I think; but we put in seventeen. We were urged by the Provost Marshal to fill our quota to save a draft.

Q. State what measures you took to fill the quota.

A. At that time we could not raise money upon orders of the town, and James Sherman, Jonas Butterfield and myself raised the money on our joint note, and we were indemnified by a bond signed by one hundred citizens of the town of Sidney to repay it to us if the town or State did not, and with that money we bought the men, or supposed we bought men. I and James Sherman and Jonas Butterfield came down here and went to see A. B. Farwell of Augusta.

Q. What conversation did you have with him?

A. E. A. Chase and James Sherman had had some conversation with Mr. Farwell before about furnishing men, but I do not know what the conversation was. Mr. Farwell wanted us to advance him some money before the men were put in. He said he wanted the money to pay the men. We did not know Mr. Farwell and were not willing to advance the money on his credit. He said Mr. Morrell and Mr. Blaine were his right and left bowers, and if they were here they would be responsible for the money.

Q. Did you in fact pay the money and take his receipt signed by Messrs. Morrill and Blaine?

A. Yes, we paid the money and took a receipt from A. B. Farwell for it, signed also by L. M. Morrill. The business was done by my associates, and I never saw the receipt myself.

Q. What became of that receipt?

A. I do not know except as Capt. Sherman told me. He said that when a certificate of the credit of the men was produced that receipt was given up, and A. B. Farwell's receipt for the money was taken in its stead.

Q. Now, at this time was there anything said on your part about wanting actual men?

A. I had no idea of anything but actual men—didn't know there was any way to fill a quota but by actual men.

Q. What, if any, representation did Farwell make at that time as to where, when, and in what manner he expected to procure the men you required?

A. The representations that were made, whether by him or by my associates, I cannot recollect, but from the conversation then had between him and

them at that time, I supposed that he was going to Washington, D. C., and was going to enlist foreigners as they came into the country. Mr. Ethan A. Chase, now in Rochester, N. Y., knows more of this matter than any other man who acted for the town of Sidney.

Q. Did Farwell say anything about paying bounties or expecting to pay bounties for these men?

A. I don't know that he said anything about paying bounties, but we supposed that if he enlisted men he would have to pay bounties to them.

Q. Did you ever sign a certificate, or paper of any kind, or a blank, setting forth to Mr. Farwell that the residence of these men was Sidney?

A. No, sir, I never did.

WM. A. SHAW.

Wm. A. Shaw recalled, added.

The list of names hereto annexed marked "A," I received by mail from Augusta without letter or signature, and I believe the certificate at the bottom of it to be in Mr. Farwell's handwriting. Previously to receiving this, I had called on Mr. Farwell at Augusta for a list of the men purchased of him for Sidney, and he said he would send it to me. A few days after receiving it, I saw Mr. Farwell, and he asked me if I had not received a list of names, and I told him I had received a list from somebody. I think he said he sent it.

WM. A. SHAW.

Augusta, Me., Tuesday, June 7, 1870.

Samuel Clement of Palmyra, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Are you one of the selectmen of Palmyra?

A. I am, and have been for the last nineteen years.

Q. Did you purchase some men or credits to fill the quota of Palmyra under call of December, 1864?

A. I did, sir.

Q. Who negotiated the business?

A. I did, with Mr. Morrill my associate selectman.

Q. State particularly in regard to the negotiation for the men or credits so purchased.

A. Americus Morrill and myself came to Augusta and went to see Pike & Colby at their office, and told them our business was to procure men for our quotas, and we had been advised to call on them. Mr. Colby said he had just returned from Kittery navy yard and had procured quite a number of marines and paid them their bounties, and had a right to dispose of them, as best he could, to any town to fill its quota. We then proceeded to make the trade—

to inquire at what price they would furnish them per man. They finally offered to furnish us with fourteen men—the number we wanted—at $450 each.

Q. Did you agree to take them upon that?

A. We asked them if they would consider that a standing offer, and allow us time to look around, and they consented to that. We did look around. We went to see Delany, and I believe we did not go to any other parties. We then went back and closed the trade. We paid at the time. We had made arrangements with the State bank to get the money.

Q. Was the money paid on that day?

A. The money was not paid on that day. It was paid on the next day. I left the money here with Mr. Morrill, and the next day he brought back the receipt of Pike & Colby hereto annexed marked "A," and papers dated Augusta, January 12, 1865, signed by A. P. Davis, Provost Marshal, and Joseph T. Woodward, Commissioner, and which are hereunto annexed marked "B" and "C" respectively.

Q. Are any of the names on said papers marked "B" and "C" now or were they ever of men residing in Palmyra or that vicinity?

A. No sir.

Q. Are they names of men that you ever knew any where?

A. No sir, I never did. We supposed, as they were approved by the officers here, that they were real men, and we paid the money in as good faith as any that was paid during the war.

Q. Did Messrs. Pike & Colby, or either of them, tell you how they procured these men, or how they obtained their right to sell them?

A. No sir, except as before stated.

Q. Did you or either of the town officers of your town to your knowledge sign any papers or certificate or blank, the purport of which was to certify or claim that these men were residents of Palmyra?

A. I did not, nor did any town officer to my knowledge.

Q. Did your town make a claim to the State for reimbursement for these men, and if so, what was the result?

A. It did, and the claim was disallowed on the ground that they were paper men.

Q. Was your town called upon to furnish any other men after 1864, and were those names accepted to fill the quota of December, 1864?

A. No, we were not called upon to furnish men after this. These names were accepted to fill the quota of December, 1864.

Q. Has your town called upon Pike & Colby, by suit or otherwise, for reimbursement of the money paid for these men, or do you claim that you ought to be reimbursed by them or either of them?

A. No sir, we have not called upon them for reimbursement. We were aware that several suits for similar purposes had been commenced, and we concluded to await the results of some of them.

Q. Who acted as your attorney in prosecuting your claim for reimbursement before the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. Gen. Hodsdon. We paid him $55.

Q. Was anything charged to your town for any deficiency under any call for troops during the war?

A. Yes sir; $200 was charged under call of October 17, 1863.

SAMUEL CLEMENT.

S. P. WATERHOUSE of Detroit, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Detroit for the year 1864?

A. I was, sir.

Q. As such did you undertake to fill the quota or quotas of your town?

A. I did sir, all of them.

Q. Did you purchase men or credits to fill the quota called for in December, 1864?

A. I did sir, in connection with Orrin Libby, the second member of the board, purchase five men or credits to fill the quota of December, 1864.

Q. Of whom did you make such purchase?

A. Of Joseph Nye, who was then in the office of the Provost Marshal Gen'l and Sheriff of Somerset county, then residing at Kendall's Mills, and represented himself as acting in this business for a firm of substitute brokers. The impression we got was that he was acting for J. P. Deering & Co.

Q. What representations did Nye make about the men?

A. That he could fill our quota for us for $425 each, I think, and I think he said he would rather not be known in the business, and that he made but little out of it, only about five dollars per man, and would like the matter kept quiet. I think that he did not say where the men were—whether in the navy or marine corps—but we supposed everything was all right, and that they were actually men.

Q. Was any reference made either to the Adjutant General or other military authorities of the State in regard to their being credited to the quota of your town, and if so, what?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you consult the military authorities at Augusta as to the men being credited, or their authority to credit them, or the authority of private persons to sell them to towns, and if so, state the result of such consultation?

A. No sir; neither of us.

Q. Who paid the money to these men, and if so paid, when, how and by whom and to whom was it paid?

A. Orrin Libby paid the money to Joseph Nye immediately, or in a few days after we were here and traded for them.

Q. What papers did you take at the time of making the payment, and if any, annex them to your deposition?

A. We took Nye's receipt for the money paid, and the Provost Marshal's certificate that they were placed to the credit of our town, containing a list of their names. If these papers are found they may be annexed to my deposition. I understand that they are in the hands of Gen. Hodsdon, he having acted as

agent of the town before the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts.

Q. Are the names on said lists the names of persons who are or ever were residents of your town?

A. They are not to the best of my recollection, and I have lived in Detroit forty years, and am one of the oldest voters in town.

Q. Has your claim for reimbursement from the State for these men been disallowed, and if so, upon what ground?

A. It has been disallowed, and upon the ground that they were paper credits, as I understand.

S. P. WATERHOUSE.

S. L. TOBEY of Athens, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the board of selectmen of Athens in 1864?

A. I was sir.

Q. Did you, with Mr. Reuben Stodder, a member of your board, negotiate with any parties for the filling of your town's quotas in 1864?

A. I did, for the last quota of 1864.

Q. Have you heard the testimony of said Stodder, given on the 4th inst., which has just been read by the Clerk of this Commission, and if so, do you concur with it?

A. I have, and I do so far as I can recollect. Benjamin Hurd, whose name appears on the paper marked "A," and is alluded to in Reuben Stodder's testimony, was not a member of the firm. His name is there as surety merely, as I understood it.

Q. Who wrote the receipt and agreement of D. H. Brown, marked "D," annexed to the testimony of said Stodder?

A. I did.

Q. State if you made substantially the same agreement with Pike & Colby in case of the men which you bought of them.

A. We did.

Q. Was that agreement with Pike & Colby reduced to writing?

A. It was not fully, except as appears in receipt marked "A," in testimony of said Reuben Stodder.

Q. Can you mention the names of the two men purchased of said D. H. Brown?

A. No, I cannot.

Q. Do you recognize the names of the men specified in said paper marked "D," annexed to said Stodder's testimony, as the names of the men purchased of said Pike & Colby?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Were said men at the time of your obtaining them, or had they been at any time before, residents of the town of Athens to your knowledge?

A. They were not, and never had been.

Q. Were the two men purchased of said Brown, at the time of purchase, residents of Athens, or had they ever been residents of said town?

A. No, they were not at that time, and never had been residents of Athens.

Q. When you obtained said paper marked "D" of J. T. Woodward, Commissioner, what did he say, if anything, as to how these men were obtained by Pike & Colby, and as to their authority to sell them?

A. I have no recollection of any conversation of the kind. I don't think I interrogated him at all.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of Pike & Colby, or at the A. A. Provost General's office, or at the Provost Marshal's office, or of the Adjutant General as to the authority of said Pike & Colby, or of said Brown, to dispose of said men to be allowed on your quota?

A. I did not, of either of them, to the best of my recollection.

Q. Can you give any reason for not doing so?

A. I can. The reason is, I thought and believed that any men the government would allow on our quota were good men.

Q. Has Athens made claim for reimbursement for the men above mentioned, and if so, what was the result?

A. It has. The two which we had of Brown were allowed, but the eight which we had of Pike & Colby were disallowed. The Commissioners (on Equalization of Municipal War Debts) said they could not find them upon the records of the Adjutant General of the State.

Q. Have you been able to find upon the files of the selectmen of Athens any other papers than those annexed to the testimony of Mr. Stodder?

A. I have not.

S. L. TOBEY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, June 8, 1870.

AARON S. LYFORD of Mt. Vernon, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Mt. Vernon in 1864?

A. I was, sir.

Q. Who were your associates?

A. Isaac Tucker and D. H. Thing.

Q. What steps did you and your associates take to fill the call of December, 1864?

A. We enlisted our own men first, and then we came over to Augusta and made inquiries among the brokers. We got all of the men at home that we could get.

Q. What talk did you have with the brokers?

A. Messrs. Deering & Co. and I. W. Reed had offices which we visited for the purpose of negotiating for the purchase of men. They said they had men to sell. Deering & Co. said they could furnish us with four men at $450 apiece. They said that was the street price, and Mr. Thing and I closed the trade.

Q. What did Deering & Co. say at that time as to who these men which they proposed to sell, were, how they obtained them, and what they paid for them?

A. I have no recollection of their saying anything about it, or that we inquired about it. I had no doubts about their being live men any more than that I was a live man.

Q. Have you a list of the men obtained through Deering & Co. at this time?

A. I have, sir.

Q. Were the men on that list obtained of Deering & Co. real men, residents of the State?

A. I do not know. They were allowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. They were strangers to me.

Q. After getting these four men you made other applications, did you not, to purchase men?

A. Yes sir. We made application to I. W. Reed. He offered to fall from the street price of $450—he offered to take $440 apiece for four men.

Q. What did he say, if anything, about who the men were or how he obtained them.

A. I don't recollect that he said anything.

Q. Were you or not given to understand that they were real men?

A. We supposed that they were real men. I had not the least reason to doubt that they were real men.

Q. Had you at that time any knowledge or suspicion that persons in Augusta were selling credits for men in the marine or naval service of the United States, to be assigned to towns for the purpose of filling their quotas?

A. I had not. I did not know that anything of the kind could be done.

Q. What was the bargain actually made with Reed & Co.?

A. We agreed to pay him $440 per man for four men when a certificate from the Provost Marshal General or Provost Marshal of this district, showing that they were properly credited to our town, was presented to us.

Q. Was such certificate presented to you, and where is it, if so presented?

A. Such certificate was presented and was filed with the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts; but I do not know where it now is.

Q. Have you preserved the names of those four men, and if so, what were their names, and were they residents of your town or vicinity?

A. I have. Their names were Patrick Williams, James Gallagher, Henry Brown and Lewis L. Goldy, and they did not reside in Mt. Vernon or vicinity to my knowledge.

Q. Has your claim for any of the men furnished by Deering & Co., or I. W. Reed, been disallowed by the Commission for Equalizing Municipal War Debts, and if so, what were their names and upon what grounds?

A. Yes sir. The four men whose names I have given were disallowed. I do not know upon what grounds. E. L. Barnes was disallowed, but I do not know of whom we had him.

Q. Have you certified in any form or way that these four men were residents of your town?

A. I have no recollection of signing or being requested to sign any such paper.

Q. Do you know where I. W. Reed now is?

A. I do not know; but he is said to be in California.

A. S. LYFORD.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 9, 1870.

JOSEPH A. MAGOON of Harmony, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Are you one of the selectmen of the town of Harmony?

A. Yes sir; I am and was in 1864.

Q. Was the claim of the town for reimbursement disallowed in part by the Commission for Equalizing War Debts?

A. It was, as to eleven men.

Q. What call was it?

A. It was on the call of December, 1864, and deficiency, I think, on the previous call.

Q. What was the town's quota under that call?

A. I do not recollect what the town's quota was under that call. I think there was a deficiency under the previous call.

Q. Have you a list of the names of the men obtained by the officers of your town to complete the filling of that quota?

A. I have a list of ten names which were purchased on that quota. They are named in a certificate from the A. A. Provost Marshal General, dated January 13, 1865, hereunto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Was the claim for reimbursement for these men disallowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and if so, upon what ground?

A. It was, and upon the ground that no evidence could be found that such men were in the service.

Q. Of whom and at what price were these ten men purchased, and what voucher has your town for such payment?

A. They were purchased of T. H. Dinsmore of Skowhegan, and we have his receipt on the back of said paper marked "A," for $4500.

Q. Was it your intention and expectation to procure actual men to be mustered into the service, and had you any knowledge or expectation that a town's quota could be filled in any other way?

A. It was our intention and expectation to procure actual men, and I had no knowledge or expectation that it could be filled in any other way.

Q. Are the names in said A. A. Provost Marshal General's certificate the names of men who are or ever have been residents of your town?

A. They are not.

Q. Have you, or any officer of your town, to your knowledge, in any way ever certified that they were residents of your town?

A. I have not, nor has any officer of the town to my knowledge.

J. A. MAGOON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, June 13, 1870.

JOSEPH S. MENDALL of Hartford, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNER.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Hartford in 1864, and if so, did you take part in filling the quotas of that year?

A. I was, and did take part in filling the quotas, acting as agent of the town.

Q. Where and of whom did you procure men to fill said quotas?

A. I made a trade with a Mr. Yates to put in eight men under the call of July, 1864. The trade was made here in Augusta, but Mr. Yates resided at Lock's Mills, in the town of Greenwood, I think. He signed his name as O. K. Yates. There was a man whose name was Samuel McKenney, and who formerly lived in our town, but who then resided at Lock's Mills. This man was down to our town when we were holding a town meeting, and through him we learned of Mr. Yates. I went to Lock's Mills to see Mr. Yates, and was there informed that he was probably at Lewiston or Auburn, where he had an office. I went to Auburn and did not find him there, but learned that he was at Augusta. I then came to Augusta and found Mr. Yates at the Cushnoc House. He said he thought he could fill our quota for $200 per man, but would not say positively until he saw Mr. Delaney. He went out to find Mr. Delaney and I did not see him again until after dinner, when he and Mr. Delaney both came to the Cushnoc House. Mr. Delaney said he thought they had no more men than were engaged, and that they could not furnish them at any rate for $200, for they could sell all the men that they could get for from $250 to $300. Mr. Samuel McKenney was with me in the travel and negotiation just described. We had quite a talk with them in regard to the price, but could not get them to agree to sell men for less than $250 per man. I was not authorized to pay more than $200 per man, and I so told him, but we finally agreed to refer the matter to the town, as our meeting was adjourned to Wednesday following Monday on which I was here, and that if he did not hear from me by Thursday it was to be considered a trade at $250 per man. He (Mr. Yates) said they were naval men and were unassigned to any town, and they had a right to assign them to any town and they would count on its quota. I asked him the question whether we could hold the men if we paid for them, saying I did not want to pay for them and then lose them. I wanted to know whether we could legally hold them, and he said that when the men were assigned to our town and I had the Provost Marshal's certificate, it would be all

right and there could be no trouble. He notified us on Friday that the men were assigned to our credit, and I went down to Lewiston and found Mr. Yates at his boarding house. Mr. Thurlow, who was at that time chairman of the board of selectmen, went with me; he was a very careful man, and wanted to consult Yates in person relative to these men. Yates told him the same as he had told me—that if we had the Provost Marshal's certificate we should be safe. We then went with Mr. Yates to the Provost Marshal's office and got the certificate that the men were placed to the credit of our town, and Yates gave us his receipt for the money, signed " O. K. Yates for Delaney & Co."

Q. Can you produce that certificate and receipt?

A. I cannot now. I went to the selectmen for the papers before coming down here, and they told me the papers were in the office of the Secretary of State, having been left with the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts; but it appears on inquiry that the papers are in the hands of Gen. Hodsdon.

Q. Did you get a list of the names of the eight men?

A. I did. I got a list of their names of Mr. Yates, and also of the Provost Marshal. I took the names given by Mr. Yates and entered them in a small book.

Q. Can you recall their names?

A. I find them here on this paper, which is the claim made by our town for reimbursement. Their names are as follows: William Thompson, J. W. Tucker, William Connelly, Patrick McLane, A. McNichol, Dennis Sullivan, Isaac Totten and Charles Thornton.

Q. Did you at that time, or have you ever, signed any certificate that these men were residents of Hartford?

A. I did not sign any certificate at that time, and have never signed any certificate or blank as to their residence in any way to my knowledge. We knew that they did not reside in Hartford.

Q. Did you in that year, or in 1865, purchase any men to fill the call of December, 1864?

A. I did purchase men of the same parties to fill the last call. I went to Auburn and found Mr. Yates there and made a trade to fill the quota. I did not know at the time exactly what our quota was. He said he would fill the quota of our town for $450 per man. I asked him if he should make any different figures if a portion of them were put in as substitutes, and he said no, he should make no difference as the military authorities would take nothing but men, and he could put in substitutes just as cheap as volunteers. He put in three men as substitutes, and I saw the men mustered into service. I went home on Saturday, and he was to inform me when he had put the men in. He in about a week did inform me that the men were in, and I and Mr. Thurlow went down to Auburn and went to the Provost Marshal's office and got a certificate that five men were credited to our town, and we paid him and took his (Yates') receipt for $1500 and gave him our joint note as selectmen of the town for $750. We then went home and got the money and the very next day, I think, we again went to Auburn and paid Yates $750 and took up the note. We made no talk with Yates about who or where these five men were, as we supposed they were real men and all right. The receipt and certificate in this

case is, I suppose, in the hands of Gen. Hodsdon, with those for the eight men of whom I have testified. I find the names of these five men on the claim of our town for reimbursement, which claim was filed with the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. Their names are as follows: A. Meloine, A. Clenderine, G. Purrity, John Keeffe and J. Battisto. These men are not, and never have been, residents of Hartford.

Q. I hold in my hand a paper taken from the files of the Adjutant General's office, dated "Hartford, August 9, 1864," and signed by Cyrus Ricker, Stephen Thurlow and J. S. Mendall, selectmen of the town of Hartford, purporting to be a "return of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Hartford who are in the United States navy." Look at it, if you please, and state whether your signature appears on it.

A. (Witness looks at the paper.) I should say my signature appears there, but I have no recollection of ever seeing the paper before.

Q. Do you know the signatures of the other selectmen whose names appear with yours on the paper, and if so, are the signatures upon this paper the genuine signatures of said selectmen?

A. I know Mr. Thurlow's, and I think I know Mr. Ricker's, and I should say they are not genuine.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Would you have knowingly certified to the facts in that paper?

A. No, sir, I should not.

Q. Have you any remembrance of any one's soliciting you to sign any such blank or paper?

A. I have not.

Q. Were the claims for reimbursement for the thirteen men whose names you have given us disallowed by the Commission on Equalizing Municipal War Debts, and if so, upon what ground?

A. They were disallowed—eight of them because they were in the naval service and the town had no claim to them, and the other five because they feared they never had any flesh and blood.

JOSEPH S. MENDALL.

Ambrose Beal of Monmouth, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Monmouth in 1864–5.

A. Yes, sir; and in 1866–7.

Q. Were you engaged in filling the quota of your town under the call of July, 1864?

A. I was, and of about all the calls.

Q. State particularly the contract you made and the transactions you had with J. H. Manley relative to filling the quota under the call of July, 1864?

A. We had procured about all the men we could at home and we came out here and saw J. H. Manley and told him we wanted six men. He said he could furnish them. He said Col. Farwell was in Washington and was procur-

ing men there, or had procured men there—I think he said naval men—and assigning them, or would assign them, wherever he, Manley, directed; and I got the impression that they were in company in this matter. The impression I got was that Farwell was hiring the men there and got the right to sell them where he pleased, and Manley was also selling them. I think this was in the afternoon. He asked $500 apiece for the men. At that time men were scarce here, and the draft was coming on immediately. He agreed to have the men put on the quota of the town of Monmouth the next day. I went in the next day to get the names and to pay him for them. He said he could not furnish the names then, but would afterwards—he would get them. I began then to be mistrustful that it was not right, and told him that I could not pay him for them. He said he would get me an official letter from Gen. Hodsdon showing that they were all right, and were actual men put in on the quota of the town of Monmouth, and if I would call in an hour or two he would have it. I did so call, and he presented me this letter of Gen. Hodsdon, hereunto annexed marked "A," on the bottom of which is the receipt of J. H. Manley for $3,000. I then paid the money to Mr. Manley on the reception of said receipt.

Q. Have there ever been furnished any other papers in reference to the assignment or muster-in of said six men?

A. No sir.

Q. Have you ever endeavored to procure a certificate containing the names of said six men, and if so, with what success?

A. I have repeatedly asked Mr. Manley for such certificate, and he has promised to get it for me. The last time I asked him he told me the lists were burned up in the fire, but he could get duplicates from Washington, and would do so, but as yet he has not done so.

Q. Did your town officers furnish to the Naval Commission a list of men who were residents of your town, and were or had been serving in the navy?

A. They did.

Q. I hold in my hand a record of the men allowed by the Naval Commission residents of different towns in the State of Maine. Please look at the record for the town of Monmouth and state if you know the men there entered and know them to be residents of said town.

A. (Witness looks at the record.) I know the men, and know that they have been residents of our town, and that they are the same that we sent in.

Q. Were the six men for whom you paid Manley, as above stated, the same entered upon said record, or were the latter allowed to your town in reduction of its quota?

A. I am not able to state.

Q. Was your claim for reimbursement for these six men disallowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and if so, upon what ground?

A. It was, and upon the ground that they had reason to believe that they were paper men.

Q. Was your town's claim for one other man also disallowed, and if so, upon what ground?

A. It was. We claimed one Silenas Decker who enlisted at Auburn, but who was an inhabitant of our town. He had been enlisted at Auburn and a bounty paid him there, but we claimed that he should be transferred to us, and tendered back the bounty paid. The governor directed the transfer to be made, and the Adjutant General promised to do it. The town was notified that a draft would be made for the missing man, and we then ascertained that the transfer had not been made, and we came to the Adjutant General who said that he had a naval man that he would assign to make our quota up, and he did so without our making any compensation for it. The claim for reimbursement for him was, however, disallowed as in the case of the six of whom I have testified.

AMBROSE BEAL.

Augusta, Me., Tuesday, June 14, 1870.

Robert Geyer of Friendship, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Frindship in 1864–5?

A. I was, sir?

Q. Did you or not, early in 1865, procure some men, or credits for men, to fill a quota of your town under a previous call?

A. I did.

Q. State particularly the negotiations and transactions relative to the matter.

A. I came to Augusta in the fall of 1864 for the purpose of filling a quota of the town under some previous call. We wanted nine men. I had heard in some way that there was a lot of men in the United States navy that could be assigned to the State of Maine. I understood that at first there was some opposition on the part of towns to having these men, but it was said that if this State did not have them Massachusetts would get them. I understood that parties had been to Washington and got the right to some of these men in some way, and that they could sell them and have them credited to any town that would buy them. I think J. P. Deering told me that he had been to Washington and got some of these men. I came to Augusta in January, 1865—saw J P. Deering, and in company with Oscar E. Hoffses, I bargained with said Deering for eight men at $440 apiece. This was the lowest price that we could trade with him for.

Q. At the time you purchased these men, what did Deering say as to how he got the right to sell these men, or as to who they were?

A. I don't remember particularly what he said, but my impression is that he told me they were men that he had procured in Washington, and had paid their bounties there. He said he did not make much on them—that the $440 about paid him what he had paid per man, including expenses and wages.

Q. Did you require him to give you some evidence of their being assigned to your quota before paying for them?

A. I did, sir. He agreed to bring me a certificate from Maj. Littler that the men were assigned to our town, and he did bring to me the certificate marked "A," and containing a list of the names of the men—certificate annexed—and I paid J. P. Deering & Co. $3,520 and took their receipt hereunto annexed marked "B."

Q. Are the names on said certificate marked "A" the names of men who were or ever had been residents of your town?

A. No, sir; there was no pretention that they were residents of our town.

Q. Did you afterwards buy another man of Deering & Co.?

A. Yes, sir, I bought a man of Hill, who was in company with Deering, at $400, and took a receipt signed by Deering & Co., hereunto annexed marked "C," dated "Augusta, April 5, 1865." This receipt was written and signed by Hill.

Q. Did you ever have a certificate of assignment or descriptive list of this man?

A. I think I never had. Maj. Littler, I think, was sick at this time, and Hill promised to get it and send it to me, but he never did.

Q. Do you know of any other of your town officer's buying another man?

A. I understood that Oscar E. Hoffses bought of Deering & Co. another man for $500, and took the receipt hereunto annexed marked "D," dated "Augusta, March 2, 1865," and signed by Deering & Co. I found this receipt among the town's papers, and I think it was delivered to me by said Hoffses.

Q. Has there ever been to your knowledge a descriptive list, or certificate of assignment, in case of this man?

A. There has not been any such paper in the hands of the town officers to my knowledge.

Q. State what, if anything, you know in reference to the purchase by your town of nine men of Thomas M. Stevens of Pittston.

A. I think that Nelson Thompson, one of our leading citizens, had told me that Stevens could furnish some men for us. Stevens came to my house in September, 1864, and wanted me to go over to Thompson's house. It was then in the evening and late, but we went over and called him from his bed. Stevens agreed to furnish us nine naval men for $100 apiece, to be assigned to the town of Friendship, and we agreed to take the men, provided we could be satisfied that they would count on our quota. In a few days Thompson and I came over to Pittston and saw Stevens, and went with him over the bridge to Gardiner to see Maj. Gardiner. I did not see him, but Thompson and Stevens went into his house to see him. He was sick at the time. I understood that Maj. Gardiner assured Thompson that it would be all right, and that the nine men would go on to our quota, and that it would be safe to pay for them. I still hesitated to pay for them, but Stevens said that if I did not pay for them he would immediately have them assigned to the quota of some other town. Then I went over to his house and did pay him $900. Stevens complained that the trade was a hard one, and that he did not make anything out of it, and I paid him $50 for his trouble.

Q. Were receipts taken for the payment of said $950, and where are they if taken?

A. Receipts were taken, but I have not been able to find them since they were left with the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. I suppose them to be in the hands of Gen. Hodsdon, who, as I understand, acted as agent of the town before said Commission.

Q. I hold in my hand three returns of residents of your town who were or had been serving in the navy, which purport to be signed by you; state if the signatures are genuine, and also the circumstances under which they were signed.

A. I think the signatures are genuine. I think Mr. Stevens said the men must be enrolled in the town by the enrolling officer of our town, and be certified to be residents of our town, before the proper officers would allow them, and to comply with this requirment I signed the papers. I thought the men were assigned to the State generally, and might be assigned to any town that would pay for them.

Q. Are any of the names upon either of these papers the names of men who are or ever were residents of your town, and if so, state the names of men so resident?

A. Thomas I. Larry, named on one of said papers—the only name—is now and was then a resident of our town, and drew prize money as having been in the navy. As to the names on both of the other papers—fourteen in all—they are not the names of any persons that I know or ever knew, and there was no pretension that they were actual residents of our town.

Q. Was there any other case in which the town's claims for reimbursement was disallowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I understand that three men, bought of the town officers of Waldoboro', and by them bought of A. B. Farwell, were disallowed. I annex the receipt taken for payment for these men, signed by S. W. Jackson and M. M. Rawson, dated September 28, 1864, marked "E."

ROBERT GEYER.

Isaac W. Varney of Smithfield, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Smithfield in 1864?

I was not. I was here in Augusta in 1864 and saw Mr. Dunsmoor, one of our selectmen—the chairman—pay J. H. Manley of Augusta $3,000 for six men furnished by him for the quota of the town of Smithfield, and take a receipt which is hereunto annexed marked "A," dated "Augusta, September 20, 1864," and signed by J. H. Manley.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. State what Mr. Manley said to you about these men.

A. The remark I made was, "when I buy anything I like to see it; where is your men?" He said, "no trouble, I have plenty of men—part of them are in jail."

Q. Did you have an interview then with the Adjutant General, and if so, state what he said?

A. I did afterwards. I came down here to the State House and told Gen. Hodsdon the transaction with Manley, and told him we were to pay him $3,000 for six men, and asked him if it was all right—if Manley had the men and would furnish them, and he said it was all right.

ISAAC W. VARNEY.

SYLVANUS B. WALTON of Mercer, affirmed and was examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Mercer in 1864–5, and if so, please state what transactions you had relative to filling the quotas of said town.

A. I was. In the fall of 1864 I received a line from Col. A. B. Farwell of Augusta, saying that he had men and would fill the quota of our town at $400 each, if we saw him or would come the next day. We arrived here about night of the next day—saw Mr. Farwell, who said that he had men that he would furnish for our town for the said sum of $400 apiece. I asked him where the men were, or who they were, or what they were. He said that they were whole or most of them seamen that had no residence in the United States, that had served three years in the navy. Government had said to them, if you will re-enlist you may sell yourselves to whatever town will pay you the highest bounty—showed me twelve papers signed by twelve names; those were enlisting papers, and the papers said "assigned to the quota of blank;" said if we bought the men he should insert "Mercer" in the blank. He said he saw Secretary of War last week—Stanton—and he gave his permission that towns might buy these men; that he, Farwell, had sold some to Sidney and some to Manchester, and to some other towns which I do not now recollect. I then asked him if the Adjutant General of this State was satisfied with such transactions, as we had understood at Mercer that he called them straw men. Said he, "I don't ask you to pay me one dollar till I bring a receipt (certificate) to you from the Adjutant General that there is twelve men credited to your quota." That receipt he brought signed by J. L. Hodsdon, and I paid him, Farwell, $4,800 and took his receipt, I think. Mr. Farwell said it would be necessary for us to take the names of these twelve men and make a record of them at Mercer as men that we had in the navy. I carried the names up to Mercer and laid them before the town meeting. I bought these men in good faith, relying on the representations of Farwell. The papers above referred to are, as I suppose, now in the hands of Gen. John L. Hodsdon. There was a mistake of one man that he in his report had put to the credit of Augusta, and I wrote to him about it. We sent the papers by mail to the Commission on Equalizing War Debts. I wish these papers, when obtained, to be annexed to my deposition, and I will give the Commission an order for them.*

SYLVANUS B. WALTON.

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* Papers relative to these men not found among the papers of Mercer received from Gen. Hodsdon. A. C. WALKER, Clerk.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, June 15, 1870.

SYLVANUS B. WALTON recalled and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Have you any recollection of signing any certificate or paper as to the residence of the twelve men whom you purchased of A. B Farwell, as aforesaid, that they were resident of, or liable to military duty in the town of Mercer?

A. I have not.

Q. Please look at this paper, which purports to be a certificate of such residence in the town of Mercer, and state whether your signature appears thereon. This paper was taken from the files of the Adjutant General's office, having been filed with the Naval Commission in 1864.

A. (Witness looks.) I have no doubt that my signature is there, but I did not comprehend the meaning or purport of that paper when I signed it; had I done so, I never should have signed it. There is not a thing about that paper which recalls the circumstances under which I signed it.

SYLVANUS B. WALTON.

THOMAS LITTLEFIELD of Auburn, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of your town for the years 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. As such did you purchase men or credits for men in March, 1865, of Colby & Pike to fill some previous quota of Auburn?

A. I did. The business was done with Benjamin Hurd.

Q. Did or not said Benjamin Hurd claim to act for Colby & Pike?

A. He did.

Q. State particularly all the conversation and negotiations you had with Hurd in reference to the transaction.

A. Mr. Hurd came to Auburn some time in the winter, I think—I should say in January, 1865—stating that he was an agent of Colby & Pike. I questioned him particularly as to the men, saying that we had never filled our quotas with anything but real men and did not want to be humbugged. He said that they put in none but real men, and there was no humbug about it. Then I made a contract with Mr. Hurd for six men—agreed to give him $450 each for six men put in for three years. A few days—I should say not more than a week—after he sent a letter over stating that they had put the men in, and wished us to remit the money. I wrote back to him that I wanted the names of the men, and to know what regiment they had gone into, and that as soon as I got a certificate from the Provost Marshal that the men were put in, I would pay the money. A short time after that Mr. Hurd came over to

Auburn, but did not have the names of the men or certificate, and I thought there was some humbug about it and still refused to pay the money, although he urged hard. I wrote to Mr. Dingley, our Senator, about it, and he advised me not to pay them. Then I received several communications from Mr. Hurd stating that the men were all right and that we ought to pay, and threatning to sue us. To which I paid no attention. About the first of March, 1865, I found the names of John D. Hilsman, Richard Hurd, Richard Hogg, Thomas Kelley, Breman Keens and John D. Lyons credited to us upon the Provost Marshal's books at Auburn. Judge Morrill, the Provost Marshal of the 2d district, told me that Maj. Littler sent the names to him, or that they came from Maj. Littler's office. Very soon after Mr. Hurd came over with a receipt which he said was written by Mr. Pike, and which he said was written strong enough to indemnify us against the claims of any and all parties. The receipt is hereunto annexed marked "A," and is dated March 7, 1865.

Q. Are these men, whose names you have given, residents of Auburn, or were they ever there resident, or did you know the men or any of them?

A. No, sir; they were not residents of Auburn and never had been, and I did not know any of them.

Q. Have you ever signed any blank or paper, or have you ever been requested to do so, certifying that the residence of these men was in Auburn?

A. No, sir. I have never signed, or been requested to sign, any such paper.

Q. Was your town's claim for these men in reimbursement disallowed by the Commission on Equalizing War Debts?

A. It was disallowed on the ground that no such men could be found as having been put into the service.

THOMAS LITTLEFIELD.

MICAH STOCKBRIDGE of Freeport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of your town in 1864–5?

A. Yes, sir, I was.

Q. Look at this volume of record of naval credits allowed by Naval Commissioners, at the town of Freeport, and name the men on the list that were actual residents of said Freeport.

A. (Witness looks.) William Bibber, William H. Chadsey, Samuel W. Chase, John M. Dillingham, David Dunham, John A. Hyde, Alvin D. Mitchell, John J. Rogers, William P. Rogers, Frank Rogers, Cephas K. Waite, Joel K. Brewer, George Chadsey, Peter E. Mousrone, Wm. H. Stockbridge. I find two David Dunhams, but there was but one of the name. He had served in the navy and had re-enlisted, and his name was returned twice—once as David Dunham and once as David H. Dunham.

Q. State the circumstances under which you obtained the other credits named on the list.

A. When my son, Wm. H. Stockbridge, enlisted in the navy I went with him to Portland and got acquainted with the naval recruiting officer there.

When I was filling our quota in 1864, I got this recruiting officer to aid me in getting the men I had procured to serve on board the Sabine, mustered in. A short time previous to this he told me that he had enlisted some foreigners that was not assigned to any town, and that he would sell me some for $100 apiece, or, perhaps, it was a little more than $100 apiece. The recruiting officer's name was, I think, John P. Heath. He said they were men whom he had enlisted and had gone forward to Boston in the Receiving Ship Ohio.

Q. Did he represent that he had paid any part of this $100 to the men, or did you pay anything to the mem?

A. I did not; and he did not represent that he had paid them anything.

Q. Did you understand that the $100 or more which you were paying him was a gratuity to him for the assignment of the men?

A. I did not have any definite thought about it, but I supposed it was a gratuity. He said he had a right to dispose of the men, and could get more for them from some other town.

Q. Did you make a contract with him for the men, and if so, for how many and at what price?

A. I did, for seven men at about $1100.

Q. Did you take a receipt from him for the payment of the money, and a list of the names?

A. I took a receipt for the money, and I think, a list of the names.

Q. Where are said list and receipt, and will you put them at the disposal of this Commission?

A. They are at home, and I will furnish them to be made a part of this deposition.

(Two receipts and a list of names annexed June 24, 1870, marked "C," "D" and "E" respectively.)

Q. Did you make a return of the residents of Freeport serving in the navy or marine corps, and if so, did you include the names of the men bought of said Heath in the return?

A. I did make a return to the Naval Commission, and did include the men bought of Heath.

Q. Were there or not ten men bought of J. P. Deering & Co. in January, 1865, for the quota of your town, and if so, what officer negotiated for them?

A. There were. N. O. True, one of the selectmen of our town, negotiated for them.

MICAH STOCKBRIDGE.

Robert Knowles of Corinna, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Corinna in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Did you assist in filling the quotas of your town under the calls of 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Whether or not you bought men or credits of one S. C. Archer of Bangor, during that time for the quota of your town?

A. I did. I bought sixteen men, and was to pay $500 per man, making $8,000, but he discounted and we did pay him $7,900.

Q. State the negotiations and representations made to you by Archer in reference to these men.

A. I was introduced to Archer by Esquire Sprague, who had seen Archer and talked the matter over with him, and he agreed to put the men in at $500 per man. I don't think he stated anything about the men, but I supposed they were men who had re-enlisted and were unassigned.

Q. Did he furnish you with a list of the names of the men?

A. He did not, but I saw their names on the books of the Provost Marshal at Bangor credited to our town.

Q. Did you afterwards ascertain in what manner Archer procured these men, and if so, state the facts?

A. Walker and Shaw of Newport, told me not to pay Archer, as Pike & Colby owned the men. I afterwards came to Augusta and saw one of the firm of Pike & Colby and asked him if he furnished the men to said Archer, and he said he did. I asked him what discount he would make on the men and give me a receipt in full for the sixteen men—told him that we were holden for $2,000 balance to Archer. He said he could not discount any, for Archer was owing him that amount. I asked him if he sold his claim of the men to Capt. Archer, and he told me that he had sold his claim, and I concluded it would be better to settle with Archer, and did so settle at a discount of $100.

Q. Have you taken from the Adjutant General's office a list of the men bought of Archer?

A. I did not, but we have a list furnished by Gen. Hodsdon, which I annex to this deposition marked "A."

Q. Are these names the names of men living in Corinna at that or any time.

A. They are not to my knowledge.

Q. Have your town officers ever made claim by any return or paper or certificate that these men were residents of your town?

A. They have not to my knowledge.

Q. Did you take receipts of Mr. Archer for the money paid for these men, and if so, will you annex same to your deposition?

A. I did take receipts, and have three of them which I will annex to my deposition; and I had receipts for the whole amount, but some of them have been mislaid. Receipts annexed marked "B," "C" and "D" respectively.

ROBERT KNOWLES.

WINCKWORTH S. ALLAN of Corinna, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. State what you know relative to the manner of getting the names in the paper marked "A," annexed to the deposition of Mr. Knowles, whose testimony you have just heard.

A. I came to Augusta to prosecute our claim for reimbursement before the Commission on Equalizing War Debts, and in doing so I found it necessary to procure the names, and I went to the Adjutant General's office and there learned that the Commissioners had the names of all men shown on his records, and that the names of men purchased of S. C. Archer were not on the rolls. I then went to the house of Gen. John L. Hodsdon, and he, in a few moments, gave me a list of them, for which service he asked and I paid $5. I asked him if he would not sign his name to the list, and he declined, saying he was not an official. The Commissioners disallowed my claim for these men.

WINCKWORTH S. ALLAN.

CHANDLER BAKER of Bingham, sworn and examined,

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Bingham in 1864–5?

A. I was, sir; to March, 1865.

Q. State if in that capacity you negotiated for the purchase of credits to be allowed on the quota of your town on the call of December, 1864.

A. I did, sir.

Q. With whom did you have this negotiation?

A. With Tilson H. Dinsmore of Skowhegan.

Q. State all the facts relative to this negotiation—what was said by said Dinsmore, if anything, as to his authority to dispose of men to be allowed on your quota.

A. He told me that there was a certain amount of men in the navy that were not assigned to any town, and that those men had bargained themselves with different individuals to allow them the right to assign them to any towns that these individuals might sell them to. He offered to fill my quota of seven —the number I wanted—for $445 each, but he came down to $430 before I traded with him, which latter sum I gave him, making $3,010 for the seven men. I think this negotiation was had in the office of J. P. Deering & Co. of Augusta. He said he had contracted for these men with J. H. Manley, who had authority from headquarters to dispose of them.

Q. Did you receive any certificate containing the names of these men that they had been allowed or quotaed to the town of Bingham?

A. I did, sir, as appears by certificate marked "A" signed by R. M. Littler, dated January 17, 1865, and hereunto annexed. I obtained this certificate from said Littler himself.

Q. Did you have any conversation with Mr. Littler as to who these men were, or as to the authority of said Manley or Dinsmore to dispose of them, and if so, what was it?

A. I think I did have a talk with him. I got the information from him that they were men in the navy, and that the parties named had authority to dispose of them.

Q. Did you take a receipt of said Dinsmore for said sum paid for these men?

A. I did, sir, but I have not got it here. I suppose it to be on the files of our selectmen's office.

Q. Did the town of Bingham claim reimbursement for these men of the Commission of War Debts, and if so, what was the result?

A. The town did claim reimbursement, but the claim was disallowed on the ground, as I understood, that they did not allow for paper credits or navy credits.

CHANDLER BAKER.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 16, 1870.

TRISTRAM P. SAWYER of Dexter, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Dexter in 1864–5, and are you now?

A. I was and am.

Q. Did you aid personally in filling the quota of your town for the call of December, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Did you buy men or credits for men to fill that quota, and if so, how many, of whom, and at what price?

A. We bought eight men—as we supposed men—of Elliott Walker of Newport. The men cost us $462 apiece, a part of which was for expenses of transferring the men.

Q. Did said Walker pretend to represent any parties in the transaction, and if so, what parties did he pretend to represent?

A. Mr. Walker, who acted for Newport, had some surplus men. Our quota was thirty-five, and we went to Newport to see if we could get some of them. We then needed ten men.

Q. State what representations were made by Walker in reference to the men.

A. He said they had a few more men than Newport needed, but they had had applications for more than they had to spare from other towns. He made no representations as to who the men were or how they were obtained. While we were there the selectmen of Plymouth came in to buy men.

Q. What, if any, bargain did you make with Mr. Walker in reference to transferring men to your quota?

A. The bargain was that we were to pay him $450 apiece and the expense of transferring them from Newport. I am not sure that the sum was divided just in the way I have stated, but we paid $462 per man. This money was to be paid to Walker when he brought us a certificate that the men were credited to our town from Maj. Littler, the A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Q. Was such certificate actually brought to you, and was the money paid?

A. We received a certificate from Littler that eight men were credited to our town, and paid Walker the money and took his receipt.

Q. Did said certificate contain a list of the names? and if so, please furnish a list of the names.

A. It did contain a list of the names, and they are as follows: Hamilton Williams, Henry Morris, Ernest Prathy (Platz), Henry M. Schmidt, James Mullen, George Stratton, Thomas Quinn, John W. Mattocks.

Q. Where are said lists and receipts, and will you endeavor to find them, and if found, allow them to be annexed to your deposition as a part thereof?

A. They are in the selectmen's office at home, and I will endeavor to find them and will allow them to be annexed to my deposition.

(Annexed, marked "B" and "C.")

Q. Are these the names of men who are now or ever have been residents of your town?

A. I should say not, to my knowledge.

Q. Was any other person than Walker acting in the transaction?

A. Not when we were bargaining for them, but when we were paying for them Elisha W. Shaw was there and seemed to be a party concerned, and, I think, signed the receipt with Walker.

Q. Of whom did Walker procure these eight names?

A. I couldn't say; but after we bargained for them, and before we got the certificate of Maj. Littler, it began to be talked around that they were paper men, and objection was made by our chairman to paying for them, but Mr. Walker said he would retain the money so that we should be safe. I inferred he was to pay it out to some party, and name of Capt. Archer of Bangor, was mentioned. Walker said he would refund the money to our town if the men would not answer our purpose.

Q. Before paying for these men, or at the time of paying, did you have any knowledge or intimation that the men were already in the naval or marine service of the United States?

A. We did get that impression, but I don't think it was from Walker or Shaw.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Then why did you not speak to Walker or Shaw about it, and inquire of them whether they were naval or marine corps men, and what right they had to sell them?

A. We thought that if we had Maj. Littler's certificate, and that of the District Provost Marshal, that would make it all right, and we had the impression that Mr. Walker was acting for Newport in good faith, and then the money was to be refunded if they did not answer our purpose.

Q. Did you obtain such certificate from the District Provost Marshal?

A. I could not say positively whether we did or not, but did receive a letter from Capt. Wood, dated "Bangor, February 15, 1865," hereunto annexed marked "A." I have no doubt that I saw the names of these men on the books of the Provost Marshal at Bangor credited to Dexter.

Q. Have you or your town officers, to your knowledge, in any return, certificate or blank, claimed the men whose names you have given, to be residents of Dexter?

A. No, sir.

TRISTRAM P. SAWYER.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, June 17, 1870.

ALBERT N. GREENWOOD of Fairfield, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Fairfield in 1864–5, and did you as such assist in filling the quotas of your town?

A. I was, and did assist in filling the quotas of the town in 1864–5.

Q. State whether as such you purchased men or credits early in January, 1865, to go on the quota of your town, and if so, of whom, and how many did you purchase?

A. I did purchase men of Joseph F. Nye and Francis Kenrick, Jr., of Fairfield. I do not recollect how many, but enough to complete the filling of our quota.

Q. What did you give per man?

A. I think we paid Mr. Nye $465 each?

Q. What talk did you have with Kenrick or Nye as to who the men were or how they acquired the right to sell them?

A. I had no talk with Nye. I said to Kenrick, "I want some good men." He said he had been over east and had some good men on hand.

Q. Had Kenrick or Nye been in the enlisting business, and had you procured recruits of them before this?

A. They had been in the business, and we had procured recruits of them which we knew to be real men, some of whom were residents of our town.

Q. Was it or not your intention or expectation to procure only real men, and had you any knowledge or expectation that quotas could be filled by men already in the naval or marine service?

A. It was our intention and expectation to procure real men, and at that time we had no knowledge that a quota could be filled in any other way.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement disallowed by the Commission for Equalizing War Debts in respect to any of the men purchased of Messrs. Nye & Kenrick?

A. I understood the claim as to eight men was disallowed, whose names were as follows: James L. Ward, Joseph Stokle, William E. Alardt, Thomas Fulton, Daniel Carr, Stephen Dempsey, Joseph Frantus and Andrew Coffery.

Q. Are these the names of persons that are or ever have been residents of your town?

A. No, sir; not that I know of.

Q. What do you know, or what have you heard, about who these men were or where they came from?

A. I did not know, and never heard anything about who they were or where they came from, but I supposed they were real men, and that they were men that Kenrick had got over east in the Provinces.

Q. Did you make payments at the rates you have named, and did you take receipts for the money so paid?

A. I did, and the receipts for these men, with others, are hereunto annexed marked "A," "B," "C" and "D."

Q. Before making the payment did you require and were you furnished with any evidence from the military authorities of the State that said eight men were credited to your town?

A. I did, and was furnished with three certificates from the Commissioner, dated January 10 and 11, 1865, hereunto annexed marked "E," "F" and "G."

Q. Did any other officer act with you in the negotiation relative to which you have testified?

A. Mr. Elbridge G. Pratt acted with me.

Q. Which furnished the eight men of whom you have testified—Mr. Nye or Mr. Kenrick?

A. I think Mr. Nye, but two of them may have been furnished by Mr. Kenrick.

Q. At that time was Mr. Nye employed in the military or civil service?

A. He was sheriff of the county of Somerset, and Deputy Provost Marshal of the 3d Congressional District.

ALBERT N. GREENWOOD.

NELSON THOMPSON of Friendship, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. State if you obtained any men or credits to be allowed on the quota of Friendship under the calls of 1864, and if so, how many, of whom, and what did you pay for each man?

A. I agreed to pay Thomas M. Stevens of Pittston, $100 each for nine men, provided that they should be properly credited to the town of Friendship.

Q. What was said by Mr. Stevens as to how he obtained these men and his authority to dispose of them on the quotas of towns.

A. He said that Mr. Heath, naval agent then at Portland, said that he had charge of men in the navy that he could transfer to the quota of any town. He did not say anything in regard to his authority. Stevens said Heath was coming to Augusta in a few days and would arrange matters all right, and he, Stevens, would let me know.

Q. Did Stevens subsequently give you any information as to these men, and if so, what?

A. He came to me with Mr. Geyer and said he had the men, and I went with him over to the enrolling officer, Zenas Cook, 2d, and the names of the nine men were enrolled by Mr. Cook in my presence. Stevens said it was necessary to enroll them in order to hold them, as the men had no residence. I think he said they were aliens.

Q. Had you a list of the names of these men furnished you by Stevens or any one else, and can you now recollect their names?

A. I did not take a list—I had no list—and I do not recollect their names.

Q. Did either of said men, then or at any time before, reside in Friendship to your knowledge?

A. They did not.

Q. Did you inquire of Stevens as to whether these men were real, actual men, or mere names of men?

A. I did not. I had no suspicions that they were not real men.

Q. Who paid Stevens for these men?

A. Robert Geyer paid him, Stevens, $900 in my presence, and took his receipt for the same.

Q. Did you at that time, or at any other, see these men or any one of them to your knowledge?

A. I did not.

Q. Did you go with said Stevens to see Maj. J. W. T. Gardiner, A. A. Provost Marshal General, then at Gardiner, before you closed the negotiation for these men?

A. I did.

Q. Please state if Maj. Gardiner made any statement as to who these men were, where they came from, or the authority of Stevens to credit them to the quota of Friendship.

A. He did not make any statement in regard to the matter. I asked him if it was perfectly safe to pay for these men, and he said it was.

NELSON THOMPSON.

AUGUSTA, Me., Saturday, June 18, 1870.

ALBION G. HUSTON of Damariscotta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Damariscotta in 1864?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you in that capacity negotiate with any person for men or credits to be allowed on the quota of Damariscotta for 1864, and if so, of whom did you obtain them, how many men or credits, and at what price per man?

A. I did negotiate with G. M. Delany for eight men at $60 per man.

Q. Did you receive from said Delany any receipt for the money paid for said men?

A. I did. The receipt was dated August 9, 1864, signed by him, and is hereunto annexed marked "A."

Q. State, if any, what statements said Delany made to you in relation to these men, who they were, where they were, or under what authority he disposed of them to you to be allowed on your quota.

A. He stated that they were in the naval service in the Receiving Ship Ohio. He said he had authority to dispose of them, but did not state what authority, nor did he show any authority.

Q. Did said Delany furnish you with a list of the names of the persons so disposed of by him, and if so, can you furnish this Commission with such list?

A. He did, but I cannot furnish the list.

Q. State what you recollect about said list and what you did with it.

A. He sent me a list purporting to come from the officers of the Receiving Ship Ohio, and by his orders I returned it to the office of the Provost Marshal of the 3d District.

Q. Did you personally so return said list, and if so, did you see the names of those men credited on the books of the Provost Marshal to the town of Damariscotta?

A. I did not. I sent it by mail. I can't say that I ever saw them so credited.

Q. State if you made any inquiry of the Adjutant General of this State if it would be a proper proceeding for you to buy men who were already in the naval service of the United States to be credited to the quota of Damariscotta, and if so, what did he say?

A. I do not recollect of making such inquiry.

Q. Had you at this time any suspicion that they were not real men who might legally be allowed on your quota?

A. I had not.

Q. Did either of said men at that time or before reside in Damariscotta to your knowledge?

A. No, sir.

Q. Have you at any time, to your recollection, signed any paper or certificate stating that said men at any time resided in Damariscotta?

A. I think I have signed something stating that they were residents of Damariscotta.

Q. Please state why you signed such paper knowing that they did not reside in Damariscotta.

A. It was because Delany told us that they must have resided in the town in order to be credited to the quota of the town, and because the authorities of the State sent us a blank return and certificate for our signatures, but I cannot recollect whether or not any names were written therein. I do recollect that I did not, nor any person in behalf of Damariscotta, insert any names in the same. I now indentify the paper put into my hands, taken, as I understand, from the office of the Adjutant General, to be that return and certificate.

ALBION G. HUSTON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, June 20, 1870.

ORISON ROLLINS of Livermore, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Livermore for 1864–5?

A. I was, for 1863–4 and 5.

Q. Did you assist in filling the quota of your town under the call of December, 1864?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. For that purpose did you make contracts with any person for men or credits for men, and if so, with whom, and for how many, and at what price?

A. I made contracts with A. Herriman of Auburn, for ten men at $450 apiece.

Q. Where and when was the contract made?

A. It was made at Auburn on one of the last days of 1864.

Q. State particularly the negotiation you had with Herriman.

A. We had a town meeting in our town on the last Saturday in December to see what action the town would take to fill our quota. The town voted for the selectmen to procure men wherever they could, on the best terms they could to fill the quota then called for. Mr. Soule, who was a special agent to assist the selectmen, myself and Mr. John White went to Auburn. I went to the office of Mr. Herriman and told him what we were after, and asked him if he had men—volunteers for three years—and he said he had plenty of men. He inquired how many our quota was, and we told him our quota was fourteen, and he said he would be happy to furnish them. I told him we had some credit, and that all I should procure at that time would be ten men. I asked him if it would make any difference to him whether we had one man or ten, and he said "no" it would make no difference, the price would be just the same. He said he should ask us $450 apiece. Then there was a talk with regard to the money, and in that talk we were to have a certain number of days—I think till the next Saturday—to deposit the money in the Lewiston bank, subject to his order when he presented to the teller of the bank a certificate from the Provost Marshal that ten men had been credited to the quota of Livermore.

Q. Did Herriman say anything as to who the men were, where they were, or how he acquired the right to sell them?

A. No, sir; he did not to me.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation that the men you were buying were already in the naval service of the United States?

A. No, sir; not the least. I did know that there was some such business going on as these brokers furnishing towns with men, and I did not know by what authority or how they obtained them.

Q. Did you receive a certificate of the Provost Marshal of the muster-in and enlistment of these ten men which you had of Herriman?

A. I did, and I produce the paper and annex it to my deposition. The paper is dated January 10, 1865, signed by Nahum Morrill and marked "A."

Q. Are the names on said paper the names of persons who are or ever have been residents of Livermore to your knowledge?

A. No, sir; they are not, any of them, and there are no men in our town and never has been within the last forty years, of any such names.

Q. Did Herriman say, or pretend at that or any time, that he had advanced bounty to men in the marine corps named on said certificate?

A. He never did. He never told me anything about who or where they were.

Q. Have you or any town officer, to your knowledge, ever certified that any of these men were residents of your town?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you take any other receipt for the money paid for these men than the memoranda upon the bottom of the certificate marked "A."

A. No, sir, I did not take any other.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these men disallowed by the Commission for Equalizing War Debts, and if so, upon what ground?

A. To my knowledge the town was not reimbursed for them. The Commissioners told me that they should not allow for any men who did not enter the service.

ORISON ROLLINS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, June 21, 1870.

JOSIAH BAILEY of Andover, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of your town for the year 1864–5?

A. I was for the year 1864, and until March, 1865.

Q. Did you assist in filling your town's quota under the call of December, 1864?

A. I did, sir.

Q. How did you fill it?

A. I hired three men of our own town for one year each and paid them $500 apiece, and I bought five men of Charles Kimball, then and now of Rumford, and paid him $475 for each man.

Q. State all the particulars of the trade with Kimball.

A. He came to Andover and said he thought he could get us some men. He had furnished eight men, I think, for Rumford. Mr. Chatman, one of my associates, and myself took some money and went to see Kimball, who said he would go to Auburn and do the best he could for us—would get us five men at a rate not to exceed $500 each. He did get five men, and charged us $475 apiece. I got the balance of the money and went to Rumford and paid him and took the certificate signed by Nahum Morrill, dated January 11, 1865, hereunto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Did Kimball say anything about who these men were, or where they were, or how he came by them?

A. He did not, and I did not ask anything about that, but I supposed he bought them of Herriman of Auburn.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation that they were already in the Marine service of the United States.

A. I had not until I got the certificate that they were Marine men.

Q. Did you suppose that the money you were paying Kimball was for bounties advanced to the men?

A. It was represented that bounties had been advanced to the men, and that the brokers were selling the men for the bounties advanced to them, with some profits to the brokers. This representation was made by Kimball.

Q. Are the men named on this list residents of Andover, or have they ever been?

A. No, sir, they never have been, and they are not persons that I ever knew.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these men disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization?

A. Yes, sir. It was.

JOSIAH BAILEY.

Moses Dunsmoor of Smithfield, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Smithfield in 1864–5?

A. I was for the years of 1864, '5 and '6.

Q. In behalf of your town did you purchase six men or credits for men of J. H. Manley of Augusta, and if so, at what rate?

A. I did, and at the rate of $500 per man.

Q. Did you make payment for the men at that rate, and did you take a receipt for the money?

A. I did make payment, and took the receipt marked "A," annexed to Isaac W. Varney's deposition, which paper has been shown me.

Q. What did Manley say at the time or at any time as to who the six men were, where they were, or how he obtained the right to sell them?

A. The only conversation I ever had with Manley was at the time I bought the men, and at that time all that was said was that we would pay the money when he produced the evidence that they were mustered in and allowed on our quota. Nothing was said about who they were or where they were.

Q. Previously to that had you informed the Adjutant General or any of the State military authorities of your intention of purchasing men of Manley, or any other broker, and had you asked of the Adjutant or other military authority directions in reference to such purchase?

A. Yes, I had done so.

Q. What directions did you receive?

A. To receive a certificate that the men had been assigned to our quota and that that would be a sufficient voucher to pay upon. This direction was given by Gen. Hodsdon. Mr. Barker, the Deputy Dist. Pro. Mar., also gave me the same directions.

Q. Did you get such certificate for these six men, and if so where is it?

A. I did, and I turned it over to my successors in office.

Q, Did said certificate contain the names?

A. I think it did not; that is my impression.

Q. Did you ever have the names?

A. No, I never did.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation that the men you bought of Manley were already in the Naval service of the United States?

A. Either Manley or A. B. Farwell said they were in the Naval service.

Q. What had A. B. Farwell to do with the matter?

A. He appeared to be a side broker. He was going in and out of the office and appeared to be interested.

Q. Was it claimed by Manley or Farwell that they had advanced bounties to these men?

A. No. They didn't say anything of that kind.

Q. Was your claim for reimbursement for these men disallowed?

A. I do not know, sir; but I understand that it was.

Q. Did you buy other men for your town of G. M. Delany & Co., and if so, how many, when, and for what sum?

A. Yes, sir. I bought three in February, 1865, for $1,275.

Q. Have you got a receipt for the money, with a list of the names bought of Delany?

A. We have got a receipt for the money but no list of the names, and I don't think we ever had. I annex the receipt dated February 13, 1865, signed by G. M. Delany & Co., and marked "B."

Q. Did you have a certificate from the Provost Marshal or Adjutant General that these three men were assigned to your quota, and if so, where is it, and did it contain a list of their names?

A. We had the certificate of the Adjutant General, and I turned it over to my successors in office, and I think it did not contain a list of the names, but only the number of men.

Q. Did you purchase another lot of men of J. P. Deering & Co., and if so, how many, when, and at what rate?

A. I bought six men of J. P. Deering & Co., in January, 1865, and paid $2,610 as per his receipt dated January 23, '65, signed John P. Deering & Co., hereunto annexed, marked "C."

Q. What, if any evidence, had you that those six men were assigned to the quota of your town?

A. The Adjutant General's receipt which I had, but it did not, I think, contain their names, but only the number of men. This paper I handed to my successors and don't know where it is.

Q. What representations did Deering & Co. or Delany & Co., or either of them make as to the men purchased of them respectively?

A. I remember that Delany said that we could not buy the men so cheap in the market in a few days after, but I do not recollect that either of them or any of them said anything about how or where they got them or who they were.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation that they were men already in the Naval service of the United States?

A. I had no such intimation from the brokers, but there was talk upon the streets that there was a surplus of men in the Naval service and that these men by authority of the government had a right to assign them to towns.

Q. Did you know, or had you any belief that the monies you were paying for these men was for bounties advanced by them to the men?

A. I supposed they had advanced some portion of the money to the men, and the rest was their profit.

MOSES DUNSMOOR.

ELISHA W. SHAW of Newport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Whether or not, Mr. Shaw, you were concerned in filling the quota of Newport early in 1865, and also in transferring certain men to Dexter?

A. I was one of a committee, which consisted of myself, Elliot Walker and Henry W. Towle, to fill the quota of our town under the call of December, 1864.

Q. State particularly what arrangements your committee made to fill that quota.

A. The arrangement was to get all the men we could there in town, and we procured two there in town. After that, or about that time, Dr. Benson, a citizen of our town, was down here to Augusta and learned here that we could fill the rest of our quota by coming here. I think he brought home a writtten agreement from J. P. Deering & Co., stating that they would furnish men for $450 each. Mr. Walker and Dr. John Benson and myself came down here. We saw Deering & Co.; but the most of the talk we had, I think, was with Hill, one of the Company. We had a list of the names from Hill, I think, and we came up to see the Adjutant General. We shew him the list, and told him that we were making this trade with these parties, and what we wanted to know was if these men were all right, and if in case we bought them they would count on our quota. He said that they would, that they were men in the marine service that had not been quotaed, and that were allowed to the State.

Q. If you understood that these men had been allowed to the State, what was the claim of J. P. Deering & Co. to the men for which you proposed to pay them $450 each?

A. We supposed it was for bounties they had advanced to the men. It was so understood.

Q. Did Hill or Deering & Co. or the Adjutant General represent that they had advanced anything as bounties to the men?

A. They did not state the sum, but Deering & Co. did represent that they had paid bounties to these men.

Q. Was anything said about an agent having been on to enlist them and pay their bounties?

A. My impression is that there was something said by D. T. Pike about it. We had had some ten men of him.

Q, What bargain did you finally make with Deering & Co.?

A. We finally agreed to pay them $440 apiece for twenty men.

Q. What were to be the conditions of payment?

A. We agreed to pay down upon the reception of the certificate of the Provost Marshal, and we did so.

Q. Did you have an interview with the Provost Marshal, Maj. Littler, and if so, what did he say about these men?

A. He said that the men were all right and would count on the quota of Newport.

Q. Besides the twenty men bought of Deering & Co., did you buy of other parties, and if so, how many, and of whom?

A. Deering & Co. claimed that the town had agreed to take of them twenty men, and Archer claimed that the town had agreed to take ten men of him, and both parties had had the men quotaed to our town without the knowledge of the town officers. We refused to take Archer's ten men, and he threatened to sue us. The Dexter folks heard that we had some surplus men and came to us, and we arranged to have eight of the Archer men transferred to Dexter. We paid Daniel T. Pike $415 each for the Archer men, as he claimed that they belonged to him. This was not paid until after the war.

ELISHA W. SHAW.

ARIEL WALL of Hallowell, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the aldermen of Hallowell for 1864-5?

A. I have been an alderman there for 13 years up to last year.

Q. Did you purchase men or credits for men under call of December, 1864, of J. P. Deering & Co., and if so, how many men and at what price?

A. I did purchase of them five men for $2,150 on the 19th of January, 1865.

Q. Upon what certificates and receipts did you make the payment?

A. Upon the certificate of credit of the men by R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Marshal General, and the receipt of John P. Deering & Co.—certificate and receipt hereunto annexed, marked "A" and "B," respectively.

Q. What representations did Deering & Co. make to you about these men, who they were, how they obtained them, and their right to sell them?

A. The most of the talk I had was with Hill,—Deering was there in and out,—Hill represented that they were men that they had enlisted, and had had mustered in, and sent to the front about ten days before, and credited to them, and that they had a right to have them assigned where they pleased. I asked him "how is that," and he said, "we are enlisting men every day that are put to our credit to be assigned." I then said I would be better satisfied if I knew the company and regiment they were in, and he said I should be all right if I had the certificate of Littler that the men were credited to our quota. He then went out and came back with the certificate before referred to, and offered to get a similar one of the Adjutant General if I required it; but I had previously talked with Hodsdon, and he had told me that anything that went through the Pro. Marshal's office was all right or all correct, and also said that the business of allotting the soldiers had been transferred to the Pro. Marshal.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation at the time of making the con-

tract with Deering & Co. that the five men sold by them were already in the Naval service of the United States?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you notify them that you would have nothing to do with men unless they were real men mustered into the service?

A. I told him that I wanted nothing to do with men unless they were live men, and were already in the field or were ready to be placed there.

Q. Had you heard, at that time, some talk about paper men, and had you made it known that you would have nothing to do with paper men?

A. I had. There had been a good deal of talk about towns buying men that were already in the service and unassigned. It was said there was a lot of men in the Naval service to the credit of the State that had not been assigned. I had talked with Governor Cony, and said to him that it would be a fair way to deduct them from the quota of the State and make the quotas of the towns from the balance of the State's quota. Then the governor said that he had allotted some of them to poor towns that hadn't men left to fill their quotas. When I suggested to him that they should be deducted from the State's quota he said there was a difference of opinion about that. There was talk among the officers about the State House that these men should be kept so that when towns had done their best and could not fill their quotas without a draft, these men should be allotted to them and there should be no draft.

Q. Do you know that J. P. Deering & Co., Pike & Colby, and others here at Augusta, did actually obtain men of the class you have last described, and did sell them out to towns?

A. I know not, and I never did know whether these parties did obtain men of this class or not, but I knew that they had names which they were selling and which I do not know how they got.

Q. Did you ever claim in any return, certificate or blank, that the five men named in certificate marked "A" were residents of Hallowell?

A. No, sir.

Q. Are these the names of persons that you ever knew?

A. No, sir. I never could find them in any of the Adjutant General's books as men in the service from the State of Maine.

Q. Was your claim for these five men disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization?

A. It was.

ARIEL WALL.

ARIEL WALL recalled.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Has Hill made any statement to you since the payment for men referred to, as to the character of the five men bought of Deering & Co., and if so, state all the conversation he and you had about it?

A. In the spring of 1865 I was in Waterville and at a hotel where Hill was present with others, and I was boasting that Hallowell had filled all her quotas without putting in any paper men, "unless," I said turning to Mr. Hill, "the men I bought of you were paper men." I referred to the five men relative to

which I have testified. He then replied that if it would give me any consolation he could inform me that those men which we had of them were what I should call paper men. He said he had paid for one hundred seventeen men about $33,000, and I took it that he meant such men as he had sold me,—that these were a part of the one hundred and seventeen men. I said to him that "if those were paper men you are a thief and a scoundrel, for you said that those men had not been to the front above ten days, and you know I told you that I would have nothing to do with paper men."

ARIEL WALL.

ELLIOT WALKER of Newport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you employed, and in what capacity, to fill the quota of your town in 1864?

A. I was, as one of a committee with Mr. Henry W. Towle and Elisha W. Shaw.

Q. State the proceedings your committee took to fill the quota.

A. We first proceeded to get what men we could around home and there got two, I think, and then went to Bangor and had some talk with Stillman C. Archer, and I came to Augusta and had some talk with the brokers, and found that I could get only what is called paper men or State credit men, and I went to see Maj. Littler and asked him what about those men, and if it would be all right if we got them, and his reply was, "yes, if you get those men you will be all right." I made a sort of contract with Archer to furnish ten State credit men and ten one year's men, and was to pay him $450 for the three years and $300 for the one year's. I saw him soon after and he told me that he couldn't get the one year's men, and soon after that I had some talk—I don't know whether it was before or after—with Deering & Co., and Dr. Benson was coming to Augusta and I asked him to see what he could do about getting men to fill the quota. He went to Deering & Co., and when he came back brought back an agreement from them to furnish the whole number, twenty men. At this time there had been none quotaed to the town that I knew of. I was soon after at the Provost Marshal's office at Bangor, and I ascertained that there had been thirty men quotaed to the town. I was surprised to find it so, as I did not consider that we had made a trade with Deering & Co., or with Archer, unless he, Archer, furnished the whole twenty. Both parties claimed that we had made a contract with them, and threatened to sue, I think, unless we paid for the men. Soon after that—we raised the money by individual subscription—we came down here to Augusta and tried to have Deering & Co. allow us to take the Archer men—though we did not consider ourselves bound to either party. The final conclusion was to take the twenty of Deering & Co. They reduced the price to $440, leaving the others for after consideration. They represented that they had paid out large sums of money for them. Some of them represented that they had had agents out in the Southern States recruiting for them. It was some of the brokers; I can't recollect now who it was. I talked with Col. Hodsdon about it some—I mean the Adjutant General at that

time. The substance of what I got from him was that these were men who had enlisted in seaports and were foreigners mostly, and that they had no particular residence in the United States—that the government had taken the position that every man in the service should be quotaed in some localities, that these brokers had by some means—I don't know that he explained how—had acquired a right of disposing of them. He said the State saved the payment of State bounty by filling quotas with these men. Either he or some of the brokers, I can't say which, told me that money had been paid to the men themselves to acquire the right of assigning them. I think this talk had reference to marine credits. I ascertained that Maj. Littler had the entire control of the matter, and relied considerably in what he said as to their being all right. I was informed by the Provost Marshal at Bangor that he acted under Maj. Littler, and whatever he ordered, he, Low, did. Deering & Co. brought me the certificate of R. M. Littler, dated January 14, 1865, hereto annexed marked "A," containing a list of the twenty men, and Shaw and I paid them $8800, and took a receipt in the name of J. P. Deering & Co., written by and delivered by Hill, Deering himself not being present. This receipt I delivered to Daniel Stewart, one of our selectmen, and it has been among our town's papers, as I understand, but has got mislaid.

AUGUSTA, Me., Wednesday, June 22, 1870.

ELLIOT WALKER appeared, and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you transfer to the town of Dexter, eight of the Archer men?

A. They were transferred by order of Major Littler by my consent. After we got the twenty men of Deering, Archer claimed to hold us for the other ten. He threatened to bring a suit for the pay, and I told him to dispose of them, if he could, some other way. He said he tried to do it and couldn't succeed in it. He said he had paid out his money for them and must have it, and threatened to sue Shaw and I, (me)—Shaw had had some talk with him to the same effect that I did. About this time Pike (I mean Daniel T. Pike of Augusta) notified us that he furnished those men and hadn't had his pay for them; that Archer was acting for him in the matter, or something to that effect. He said if we would dispose of the men so that he could get his money out of them, he would make us a liberal compensation. We made some considerable effort to dispose of them—to get them off our hands,—but we didn't succeed until there was an order from the the Provost Marshal General, as I understood it, prohibiting any more of those men being quotaed. We then made an arrangement with the Dexter people—they came to us and wanted them—to have those men, providing we could get them transferred, at $460 and $462 per man. I told the Dexter people what they were, and what I knew about them, so far as I knew about it—told them what I had been told about them. I had had some negotiations with some of the Corinth people to take them at the same price. I regarded it as somewhat doubtful whether we could get transfers or not, as I had heard of

some one's trying and hadn't succeeded in it. I came to Augusta, saw Major Littler, told him how we were situated in the matter, that there had been some misunderstanding, and how we were situated about it. He hesitated a little at first, but finally issued an order to transfer them to Dexter. He sent it forward to Bangor, and they transferred them on the books there. We didn't have any certificate from him that they were quotaed to Newport. I think I received a certificate of transfer to Dexter. The certificate marked "A," annexed to the deposition of Tristram P. Sawyer, is the certificate which I received. Archer claimed that Pike had nothing to do with it—that he had paid for them. I think he did claim that he had paid Pike. After the order prohibiting the quoating of such men—in fact after we had transferred them—he, Archer, claimed $500 apiece for them. We refused to pay either of them, Pike or Archer, until the matter was adjusted between them. Archer wrote to the selectmen for the pay for the ten men, saying "Walker and Shaw refused to pay for them," and they referred the matter to us. We didn't settle the matter or do anything about it until after the war. April 29, 1865, I came over to Augusta and paid Pike $4,150 in settlement for the ten men, and took a receipt signed by both parties. Receipt hereunto annexed, signed by Pike & Colby and S. C. Archer, dated April 29, 1865, and marked "B." I think Shaw and I gave the Dexter people a receipt for money paid by them.

Q. Have you claimed in any return or certificate that the men purchased of Deering & Co. and Archer, or any of them, were residents of Newport?

A. No, sir, and I don't think any of our town officers have.

ELLIOT WALKER.

R. A. Snow of Atkinson, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Atkinson for 1864–5?

A. I was not, but was special agent of the town to fill its quota under call of December, 1864.

Q. Did you purchase some men, claims for whom in reimbursement were disallowed by the Commission on Equalization, and if so, how many, and of whom?

A. I did purchase some names, and supposed they were men—seven—of S. A. Barker, then living in Bangor.

Q. State all the negotiations and conversation you had with Barker.

A. I was directed to Barker by one of our townsmen. I went to Bangor to fill the quota; saw Barker and he told me he would fill our quota if we wished, and stated the price. Subsequently he agreed to fill our quota for $430 apiece. I enquired what the men were, and he told me that they were Navy or Marine men. He stated that he purchased them of Manley of Augusta. I wanted to know more about them, but he didn't tell me any more about them. I then went before the Pro. Marshal and his deputies before buying, and told them what I proposed to do and asked then if it would answer the contract and fill our quotas. Mr. Low told me that if Maj. Littler, the Provost Marshal General, ordered them to give us credit it would answer the contract, and would

fill our quota so far as the number of men so bought could do. I then proposed to put in the hands of Capt. Low, Provost Marshal at Bangor, the amount which I agreed to pay, with an understanding that when Mr. Barker fulfilled his part of the contract, and when the A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen., Maj. Littler, gave him direction to assign the men to Atkinson, the money was to be paid over if satisfactory to him. He directed me to put the money into the hands of his deputy, Mr. Arnold, and I did. When I went back to Bangor I found the proper credit and took a certificate of Mr. Low containing a list of the names, and I saw the credit on the Pro. Marshal's books, and found that the money had been paid over to Barker according to agreement and a receipt for it left for me.

Q. Where are said receipt and certificate of Provost Marshal Low?

A. I gave them to the selectmen of Atkinson.

Q. Have you the names of the men enumerated in said certificate?

A. I think I have. They are as follows: S. Spencer, Silas Smith, E. Townsend, J. J. West, John Whipple, Peter White, J. Murphy, 3d.

Q. What did Barker say he gave for the men?

A. He showed me figures—$2,800—which he said he paid Manley.

Q. What property did you understand that Barker or Manley had in these men?

A. I understood Manley to be a broker and that he had men, but I did not understand very much about it.

Q. Did you understood that Manley, or anybody for him, had advanced bounties to these men for which he was to be reimbursed by selling these men to towns?

A. No, I did not. If the P. Marshal was satisfied and it filled our quotas I did not think it necessary to make any further inquiry. I supposed I was doing the best I could. I purchased other men for our town upon the same evidence that they were in service.

Q. Do you know the men whose names you have given above, and were they residents of your town?

A. No, sir, I do not know them, and they were not residents of our town.

Q. Have your town officers, to your knowledge, ever claimed these men as residents?

A. No, sir, they have not.

R. A. SNOW.

William Emery of Lebanon, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of a Committee of the town of Lebanon to fill the quota under the call of December, 1864?

A. I was.

Q. State particularly the proceedings had by you to fill that quota.

A. Mr. Wood, my associate on the Committee, and myself went to Portland and there saw several brokers, and finally saw A. D. Merrow of Acton, who had a broker's office in Portland. He agreed to furnish twenty three years' men for the town of Lebanon at $510 each.

Q. What representations were made by Merrow as to who the men were, where they were and how he obtained them?

A. None at that time. I did not know of any other way of filling quotas at that time except by enlistment.

Q. What did you do after getting the terms?

A. We reported to the town what Dr. Merrow would do, and it voted for us to accept it. I then either wrote or telegraphed to Dr. Merrow to fill the quota upon the terms offered by him. In a few days I ascertained that our quota was reduced to thirteen, and I then wrote for him to put in but thirteen. He wrote or telegraphed back that the quota was filled and he wanted his money. I had at that time, I think, some four or five thousand dollars and went to Portland, and he produced a certificate which I did not like the looks of very well, and I wouldn't pay him. I had some little talk with Adams, the Commissioner of Enrolment, and I then went home. He then wrote me a very urgent letter, and I went to Portland and came to Augusta and saw Maj. Littler at his office, and I think I saw Gen. Hodsdon.

Q. What conversation did you have at Augusta with Maj. Littler?

A. I asked him in relation to filling this quota. I had a certificate from him and I showed that to him. It contained a list of the names and the term of service. He said the quota was rightly filled, and that I could be safe in paying. I wanted seven of the men transfsrred to some other town, and he would not consent to the transfer. This is all the conversation I had with Littler. He was very busy and the conversation was brief.

Q. Did you have any interview with Gen. Hodsdon, and if so, what did he say about the proposed arrangement?

A. I went to Gen. Hodsdon and shew him Maj. Littler's certificate. He made no objection; I don't remember what he did say, but from what he did say I concluded 'twas safe to pay the money.

Q. After your return from Augusta, how was the matter closed up with Merrow? State particularly.

A. I went to Portland—I must have left $3300 in the hands of Godding, who is now sheriff probably; I didn't see Merrow—on the 25th of January, 1865. I paid Merrow $1775 and took his receipt signed by him, which receipt is hereunto annexed marked "A." That was the whole amount except $100, which was in the hands of Mr. Wood. Merrow sued Wood and he paid it.

Q. Can you give names of the men named on the certificate of Maj. Littler?

A. I can, and they are contained in the copy of certificate of Capt. Doughty, hereunto annexed marked "B," and dated April 18, 1865.

Q. Are these the names of persons known to you or who have ever been residents of Lebanon?

A. I never knew them, and they were never residents of Lebanon.

Q. In making your contract with Merrow, had you any expectation or intimation that the men whose services you contracted to obtain were already in the military or naval service of the United States?

A. I had not. I first learned that when I saw Littler's certificate.

Q. Did Merrow, or any other person claiming any interest in these men,

tell you at that or any time how they obtained the right to sell or assign these men?

A. No, they never did.

Q. Had you any proposals from any other broker to fill your town's quota?

A. J. H. Manley of Augusta, wrote me a short time after my negotiation with Merrow, that he would like to fill it, but he offered no terms.

Q. Did Merrow claim that either he, or any other person of whom he had purchased said twenty men, had advanced to said men $510 each, or any part thereof, as bounty for any town?

A. He never made any such claim, as he said he bought them of Manley and made only a small margin.

Q. Why did you conclude to pay in behalf of your town so large a sum of money for the services of men who were evidently already in the service of the United States under a valid enlistment to a merely private person unauthorized to contract or dispose of them?

A. I supposed that the person to whom I paid the money was authorized to assign them. That is, that Manley had paid the men, and I was assured by Maj. Littler and Gen. Hodsdon that it was all right.

Q. Did either one of the persons named in your last answer say specifically that the bounties had been advanced to these men?

A. I couldn't say that either of them did.

Q. Did any town officer of Lebanon claim at any time by any paper, certificate or blank that the twenty men named on certificate "B" were or ever had been residents of Lebanon?

A. They never did. I myself made the return to the Naval Commission of the three men who were residents of our town and were serving in the navy.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these twenty men disallowed by the Commission for Equalization of War Debts, and if so, on what ground?

A. It was, because they were paper men, so called.

Q. Did you go to the vicinity of Washington late in the summer of 1864 to enlist men on any quota of your town?

A. I went to Washington—I think it was July, 1864—it might have been August—to enlist men on the quota of our town, and did enlist several, perhaps a half dozen or more.

Q. Were these re-enlistments of men who were already in the service, or new enlistments of colored persons and others not in the service?

A. I think some were re-enlistments and others were new enlistments.

Q. Did you advance the bounty to the men, and if so, how much?

A. We advanced the money, from $500 to $700 apiece.

Q. Who besides yourself from the State of Maine were there in the same business?

A. James M. Stone of Kennebunk, John N. Stinson of Alfred, Samuel K. Hamilton of Biddeford, A. D. Merrow of Acton, J. H. Manley of Augusta, A. B. Farwell of Augusta, William Gaslin of Augusta, and a host of others.

Q. Which of these men, if any, were acting under the authority of the Governor of the State?

A. I think all but myself.

Q. Did the bounties paid by the others amount to about the same as those paid by yourself per man?

A. About the same.

Q. What did you do with the men that you engaged?

A. I transferred them to A. B. Farwell, receiving for them the sums that I had advanced to them.

Q. Did any other of the persons named transfer their men to him, and if so, how many?

A. J. H. Manley transferred his. I don't remember how many, but it was a small number.

Q. At the time you made this transfer, about how many men had Farwell recruited or enlisted?

A. From my recollections now, I don't think he had a man, but he might have had one or two.

Q. Have you ever heard Farwell say how many men he procured after you and Manley transferred yours to him?

A. I think he told me afterwards that he did not get any men after we left, and we came away immediately after the transfer.

Q. Had Farwell as many men in all, including those transferred to him, as fifty or sixty?

A. No, I don't think he had.

Q. How many men do you think he procured there in all?

A. I think 'twas a very small number. I don't think he had a man except those Manley and I let him have. He has the means of showing every man. He has the receipts of the men and a certificate from the mustering officer; at least we had, and let him have them. The records here ought to show, and they do show every man who was enlisted there.

WILLIAM EMERY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 23, 1870.

AUGUSTUS SPRAGUE of Greene, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the town officers of Greene for the years 1864–5?

A. I was treasurer, and with the other officers procured men to fill the quota of the town under call of July 18, 1864?

Q. What steps did you take to fill it?

A. We raised all we could at home, and I was at Augusta on business and met Mr. A. B. Farwell there and was talking with him and told him what town bounty we paid, and he told me he thought he could furnish us two men.

Q. Did you ask, or did Farwell say who the men were, or where they were, or how he got the right to sell them?

A. I didn't, and he didn't say.

Q. State the whole negotiation between you and Farwell.

A. Well, that was about all the talk. I told him that we were paying $300, and he said he would write me in a short time whether he could furnish the men or not.

Q. Did he write?

A. I went home the same day, and he wrote I think the next day to me that he had got two men credited to us on the Adjutant General's book.

Q. How was the matter settled finally between you and him?

A. Well, I came down here in a few days—I think the next day. He wrote me to pay $50 of it to his father, who was living then in my neighborhood, and paid his wife the balance, $550, and took her receipt for it. The receipt is hereunto annexed, marked "A," dated Sept. 17, ——, and signed by Abba Farwell. This money was paid in the year 1864.

Q. Did you take a certificate of the assignment of the men?

A. I didn't. They were not assigned the first time I came down here.

Q. State what evidence your town finally procured that they were credited to it.

A. One of our selectmen first went to the Provost Marshal, at Auburn, and could not find that they had been credited, and then came down here and got a letter from the Adjutant General, of which the paper annexed, marked "B," dated Sept. 22, '64, is a copy. Mr. Weymouth, one of our selectmen, carried that to the Provost Marshal at Auburn and he gave credit for the two men.

Q. Did you ever have on any paper or certificate, or see upon any record the names of the two men?

A. I never did, nor did I ever see them.

Q. Was it your purpose and expectation to procure the enlistment of actual men?

A. It was; and I never supposed but what they were actual men until I saw this letter from the Adjutant General.

Q. Was it your purpose or expectation to pay for men that were already

actually in the naval service of the United States under a regular enlistment?

A. We didn't inquire into that. We did not consider it our business to question the authority of the military authorities who were managing the filling of the quota.

Q. Do you understand that your town was refused reimbursement for these men by the Commission on Equalizing the War Debts?

A. I do.

Q. Look on the naval record to the town of Greene and state whether there was more than one Alden Moulton, or more than one Charles Richardson from your town in the naval service of the United States?

A. There was but one Alden Moulton and but one Charles Richardson in such service.

AUGUSTUS SPRAGUE.

M. G. SHAW of Greenville, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. You were one of the selectmen of Greenville for the years of 1864-5, were you?

A. Well, sir, I can't answer positively. I am very positive that I was in January, 1865. I was agent of the town.

Q. Did you purchase some men at Augusta, and if so, of whom, how many and at what price?

A. I purchased three men of Sumner Barton of Augusta, for $1,200—paid for them, and took his receipt, which is hereto annexed, marked "A," dated January 3, 1865, and signed by Sumner Barton.

Q. What agreement had you made with Mr. Barton?

A. There was no other agreement than that expressed in the receipt referred to.

Q. Was it your expectation and intention to procure enlistments of real men, and had you any knowledge or intimation that Barton was to transfer to your town's quota the names of men already in the naval service of the United States?

A. It was; and I had no knowledge or suspicion about it. I supposed Mr. Barton went round through the country and got the men and put them in. I was in several offices during the day. I recollect that Mr. Pike said if Mr. Barton hadn't the men he had a man or two that he could let him have. Mr. Pike remarked at that time that he had some men that were already in the service that hadn't been credited.

Q. Had you heard at that time anything about navy men that could be credited to towns?

A. I can't say that I had, at that time.

Q. Were you furnished with the list of the three men had of Barton, or have you ever seen their names on any roll or records?

A. No; I was not furnished with any list of the names by Barton, or any one else, and I never saw their names on any roll or record. All I know is, that our quota was said at Bangor, at the Pro. Marshal's office, to be full and

the town was not called upon to put in any more men, and our drafted men were released.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these three men disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and if so, upon what grounds?

A. I understand that it was, upon the ground that they were paper men.

Q. Did you purchase other men upon your town's quota at Bangor, and if so, how many, of whom, and at what price?

A. We purchased six men at Bangor, for whom we paid $2200. Three of them of Archer, and three were purchased by my colleague, Mr. Fogg, I don't know of whom.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these six men allowed by the Commissioners on Reimbursement?

A. I understand that it was.

Q. Did the Provost Marshal at Bangor, or the A. A. Provost Marshal General at Augusta, or the Adjutant General, ever say anything to you in reference to the men bought of Barton?

A. I never had any conversation with either of them in regard to these men.

Q. Did you ever call upon Barton to give you a list of the names of these men?

A. I called upon him last summer, and his reply was that he didn't know whether he could find their names or not; that he presumed they could be found on the records. He said his papers were burned up, and I never have been able to get their names.

MILTON G. SHAW.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, June 24, 1870.

THOMAS HOLMES of Litchfield, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Litchfield for the year 1864–5?

A. I was, for 1864–5 and 6.

Q. Did you assist in filling the several quotas of your town in 1864?

A. I did.

Q. State whether or not your town's claim for reimbursement under the calls for that year were in part disallowed, and if so, how many men were disallowed?

A. I think nineteen were disallowed, but am not positive.

Q. How were these nineteen men procured, and of whom?

A. We procured ten men of G. M. Delany, and the other eight or nine of James Colby, representing Colby & Pike, and one man enlisted in the naval service as steward, I think, was credited to the town on its quota and was disallowed by the Commissioners.

Q. What was the contract in reference to the ten men procured of Delany? When and where was it made? State all the particulars.

A. It was made through James Colby, who was one of our selectmen. It was for $100. He could contract with Delany for ten men for $100 each—it was said they were naval men. Mr. Colby came to Augusta and made this arrangement in the fall of 1864, and he came back and reported to the other selectmen what he could do. We told Mr. Colby that when the men were credited to our town and remain to our credit we would pay for them. We told him to go ahead.

Q. What evidence was given to you that these men were put on your quota?

A. I think it was a certificate from J. P. Heath, who was enlisting officer in Portland.

Q. What became of that certificate?

A. Mr. Colby had them, and we called for them afterward, and he said they were burned in his office.

Q. Now state whether there was a certificate for each man, or whether their names were all on one paper.

A. I think one paper contained all the names, but I cannot remember.

Q. Can you give us the names?

A. The last eleven names on a paper hereunto annexed marked "A," are the names of the men bought of Delany, except William O. J. Springer.

Q. Are these the names of persons resident of your town or whom you know?

A. They were not residents of our town except Springer, nor do I know them.

Q. Who are the five persons first named on said paper.

A. Three of them are substitutes for men of our town, and were allowed in reimbursement; the other two were probably enlisted upon our quota, and were allowed also.

Q. Did you not as a selectman of Litchfield, in a return made to the Naval Commissioners, claim the eleven persons last named on said paper, beginning with Joseph Canada, to be residents of Litchfield?

A. I did not; I think I did not.

Q. How were these eleven names procured to be put upon your quota?

A. I can't tell that. I don't remember that I ever saw any evidence that they were put on the quota, but I think we should not have paid the money without such evidence.

Q. How, to whom, and when was the money paid?

A. It was paid by town orders to Colby, who paid the money to Delany and took the receipt for $1,000, hereto annexed marked "B," dated October 4, 1864, signed by G. M. Delany.

Q. What time did Colby go into the substitute business as a partner of D. T. Pike?

A. I can't tell, but it was sometime after this transaction, I think.

Q. Did Colby or Delany make any representation to you as to their authority to transfer these men to your town, and if so, what was it?

A. Mr. Colby said they were enlisted at Portland in the navy and put into

the Receiving Ship there, and were aliens not quotaed, and could be credited to any town by being enrolled in it.

Q. Did you or Colby procure these men to be enrolled as men liable to draft there?

A. I did not. I presume he did.

Q. Was it claimed by Colby that the $325, or any part of it, went as bounties to the men? *

A. He said that "they cost us about $300." He said we have to pay about $200 to the men, or they cost about $200, and something to the agent that enlisted them.

THOMAS HOLMES.

JOHN WOODBURY of Litchfield, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you act in any official capacity for the purpose of procuring men to fill the quotas of your town under any of the calls of 1864?

A. I did, as one of the selectmen?

Q. Have you any personal knowledge of the assignment to your town of ten persons enlisted at Portland into the United States navy by one J. P. Heath, if so, state particularly all the facts in reference to it?

A. I have. In August, 1864, our town voted a sum of money and put it into the hands of the selectmen to fill the quotas of the town. Mr. Holmes and I instructed Mr. Colby in a few days to go to Augusta and get men to go on our quota. In a few days after, Mr. Colby came to me with 19 certificates, signed by one J. P. Heath, giving names, ages, and terms of enlistment of men in the United States service, Colby stating that he procured them of G. M. Delany; that the town could have them—as many or as few of them as they chose—that when they were duly credited to Litchfield, passed upon by the proper authorities, and remained to the credit of Litchfield—when we were satisfied that they were all right—we was to pay him $100 per man. Soon after procuring those certificates, Mr. Colby and myself went to Portland and called on Mr. Heath, the enlisting officer there—shew him the certificates—told him of our contract with Delany; and Mr. Heath said it was all right, those men were enlisted and mustered by him and put on board the ship in the harbor—that we should have to enroll them—that they were aliens and could be credited to any town that procured and enrolled them—and that they would be passed upon by a commission and allowed or credited to the town that enrolled or procured them. We selected ten of the names. I think they were the most recent enlistments—entered their names on a blank presented by Delany—I think I entered the names myself. The precise nature of that blank I do not recollect, but after filling and completing it I stated the fact upon the blank that those men were, in fact, aliens. I cannot say whether Mr. Colby and I made that blank—filled that blank as selectmen—or whether I did it as enroll-

* This question must have been in reference to another lot of men which were bought subsequently. See testimony of John Woodbury [page 102.] A. C. WALKER, Clerk.

ing officer. A short time after that Mr. Delany called on me for pay, threatening to sue the town if we did not pay. I told him we should not pay him until we had satisfactory evidence that they were credited and remained to the credit of Litchfield. Sometime after this Mr. Colby, then one of the board of selectmen, met with us and presented a receipt from Mr. Delany, acknowledging the receipt of $1000 in pay for the men, and also a certificate from the Adj. Gen. or Pro. Mar. office certifying that those men had been credited to the town of Litchfield, and we paid Mr. Colby the $1000 by town order, which he receipted for. The certificate that satisfied us in regard to the credit of these men, also the certificate of Mr. Heath, Mr. Colby took, and since which time we have never seen them, nor can we find them. The ten men above referred to are named in paper marked "A" annexed to the deposition of Mr. Thomas Holmes.

Q. Did you afterwards purchase other men of James Colby or Pike & Colby to be assigned to your town?

A. We did. We made the trade with Colby, who purported to act for Pike and Colby.

Q. State particularly the whole negotiation.

A. We made a bargain, if my memory is correct, with Mr. Colby to put in a certain number of men—ten, I think—and to do it at as cheap a rate as he could afford to do. He was one of our board at the time. We told him that we would pay him on his producing evidence from the Pro. Mar. office that the men had been duly enlisted and credited to the town of Litchfield. This paper contains the names—purports to contain the names—of those men. Paper annexed to my deposition, marked "C," and contains a certificate from the Pro. Marshal's office, dated Feb. 7, 1865, with a receipt on the back dated Feb. 14, 1865, and we paid on the reception of the certificate and receipt.*

Q. What did Colby say as to how these men were obtained?

A. He said they were mostly colored men, enlisted out in Virginia, mustered at Camp Casey, and the papers came through Maj. Littler's office. He stated that he and Pike had an agent out there, duly authorized by Governor Cony, or sanctioned by Gov. Cony, for enlisting men. I think his name was D. E. Francis.

Q. Was said Francis a resident of Litchfield, or was he authorized by your town or town officers?

A. He was not a resident of Litchfield, nor was he sanctioned by the town or town officers of Litchfield.

Q. Did Colby try to induce you to go into the substitute business with him, and if so, what inducements did he hold out?

A. Mr. Colby asked me to go into the business of putting men into the service, with him in Portland, and said we could make money out of it, but I declined going.

Q. Was it claimed that the $100 for men had of Heath went to the men, or any part of it?

A. No, it was not.

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* Two of the men named in this certificate were allowed in reimbursement, and appear to have been of a different class from the others there named. A. C. WALKER, Clerk.

Q. Did you understand that it was a profit to the broker?

A. I understood it was profit to Heath and Delany, and the talk round the office was, that Delany bought the certificates of Heath.

Q. Had not the men gone forward at the time you were there?

A. I think that the certificates stated that they had enlisted prior to that time, and were then in service, I did not see the men.

Q. Was it claimed that the $325 paid to Pike & Colby for the ten men or for the 9 men, was advanced by them or by either of them, or by Francis, as town bounties to the men?

A. All I remember is, that Colby represented that the men cost them about $300 apiece.

Q. Did Heath make any representations as to the expense that he had been to for enlisting the men?

A. I think he acknowledged that Delany paid him something for the certificates.

Q. Did you learn when at Portland how these men enlisted by Heath were procured?

A. I saw when at Portland, around Heath's recruiting office, boys, and they said that they went down around the wharves early in the morning and would find men there who they would take to the saloons, and from there to Heath's office, and that by 9 o'clock they would be on board the ship snug enough. They said that Heath paid them for their services.

JOHN WOODBURY.

NATHAN O. TRUE of Freeport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Freeport for the years 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Did you procure ten men or credits for men of J. P. Deering & Co., reimbursement for which was disallowed by the Commission of Equalization?

A. I did procure such men, and I understand that reimbursement for them was disallowed.

Q. State particularly the negotiations and contract with Deering & Co. for these ten men.

A. We required some men to fill our quota under the call of December, 1864, and I came to Augusta to get the men. I called on Deering & Co.—saw one of the firm—don't know which, and he stated they could furnish ten men for $450 each. He said they were men actually mustered into the service, but I did not understand whether in the State or in the field. I did not ask whether bounties had been paid the men or not. I was told that they were mustered in. I notified them that I wanted real men, and said I would pay $450 each on being furnished with evidence that the men were credited to our quota. I remained in Augusta three or four days, and before I left Deering & Co. gave me the certificate hereunto annexed marked "A," dated January 27, 1865, signed by R. M. Littler, and containing a list of their names.

Q. Are said names the names of persons that were residents of Freeport then or any time?

A. They are not to my knowledge.

Q. Did you have any interview with the Adjutant General, or any of the military authorities, in reference to these men, and if so, what was said?

A. I saw, before completing the trade, Maj. Littler, and asked him if Deering & Co. had any men enlisted that they could assign towards filling our quota, and after referring to a clerk, he replied that they had men that they could assign.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation that the men you were buying were then in the naval service of the United States?

A. I didn't suppose that they were in the naval service. I supposed that they were in the military, either in camp or in the field.

Q. Was it claimed by Deering & Co. that they had advanced bounties to these men?

A. I don't have any recollections that they told me whether they had or had not paid bounties to them.

Q. When, to whom, and in what way was the payment made to them?

A. It was paid by check on a bank in Boston and a receipt taken, signed by John P. Deering & Co., dated February 10, 1865, hereunto annexed marked "B."

Q. Was your claim for reimbursement for these ten men disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization; if so, upon what ground?

A. I understand it was, upon the ground that they were not men —that they were mere paper men.

NATHAN O. TRUE.

NATHAN REDLON of China, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of China in 1864-5?

A. I was.

Q. State whether you procured any men or credits for men under any of the calls of 1864, and if so, of whom did you purchase them, how many, and at what price? State particularly all the circumstances connected with the transaction.

A. I did, of G. M. Delany, or Delany & Yates, eight, at $200 each. Well, I saw Delany and he told me that he had some navy men to sell, and I asked him at what price, and he said $200. I told him that we wanted men to fill our quota, but wasn't prepared exactly to trade for them then. I told him if he would hold on to them for three or four days—I wanted to consult Mr. A. H. Abbot—I thought we would take them. He said that he would keep them for us until we saw him again. I came down again, and Mr. Abbot came with me according to agreement—saw Mr. Delany and had further talk with him about the men. He said they *was* [were] navy men, enlisted by Heath at Portland, and *was* [were] on board the Receiving Ship Ohio in Boston harbor. We agreed with him for the men. We agreed with him for fifteen men—eight navy men

and seven recruits for the army, but he only got the eight navy men. We agreed to pay him for the eight men as soon as they were quotaed to China. In the mean time, before we made our trade for the men, we inquired of Gen. Hodsdon about the men, and he said it would be all right. In about a fortnight or three weeks after we agreed for the men, we went to the Provost Marshal's office and saw or ascertained that the men were credited to our town, and upon that evidence we paid Delany and took from him the receipt dated Sept. 26, 1864, signed by G. M. Delany and O. K. Yates, hereunto annexed marked "A." I am not certain whether we ever had a certificate of credit or not.

Q. Do you know the names of the men purchased of Delany, and were they, or had they ever been, resident of China?

A. The names are mentioned in the receipt taken from Delany before mentioned. I do not know whether they were or ever had been residents of China or not.

Q. Have you or any of the town officers of China, to your knowledge, ever certified that they were residents of China?

A. I don't know but what we did. I signed some kind of a paper that went to Gen. Hodsdon's office. I can't tell what it was.

Q. At whose request did you sign such paper?

A. I think Delaney requested it. We had such blanks that had been sent to us.

Q. What representations were made to you to cause you to sign such paper?

A. I don't recollect.

Q. Do you know whether your town's claim for reimbursement for these men has been disallowed or not?

A. It has been disallowed.

Q. How long have you lived in China?

A. Fifteen years.

Q. How many years have you been an officer of the town?

A. Three years.

Q. Were you engaged in procuring any other men for whom the town was not allowed reimbursement by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I suppose I was engaged in it, but I didn't buy them. Mr. A. H. Abbot, my associate, purchased ten men of Mr. F. Kenrick, Jr. I supposed all the men that I put in were all right or else I shouldn't had anything to do with them.

NATHAN REDLON.

HORATIO N. PAGE of Norridgewock, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Norridgewock for the year 1864–5?

A. I was, chairman of the board for that year.

Q. State whether you were personally engaged in procuring men or credits

for men in the military or naval service to fill the quota of your town, for whom the town was not allowed reimbursement by the Commission of Equalization?

A. I was. We had frequent town meetings at that time, and we procured about all the men we could at home. Mr. Additon, who was liable to a draft himself, and who was a sort of an agent to assist in filling the quota, came down here to Augusta and ascertained that men could be procured here. When he came home he reported that A. B. Farwell said he had naval men which he had a right to transfer to towns. One of the selectmen was down here afterwards and came home and reported about the same thing. I then was sent by the board and came and purchased twelve men of Mr. A. B. Farwell. I paid him $500 per man, amounting to $6,000; and took a receipt for $6,000 signed by him, dated Sept. 7, 1864, hereunto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Did you see said men mustered into service and credited to the quota of your town, or receive any assurance that they had been credited before paying for them, or at any other time?

A. I understood him to say that they were already in the service. I did not see them mustered into service. I received notice of the credit. I saw the names entered upon the Provost Marshal's books—Capt. Davis'. I received from Col. Farwell a letter from General Hodsdon to him, dated Sept. 7, 1864, hereunto annexed, marked "B."

Q. Can you give the names of the twelve men purchased by you of Col. Farwell?

A. I have a list of the names copied by me from the Provost Marshal's books, which list is hereto annexed, marked "C."

Q. Are these the names of persons who were then residents or had ever been residents of Norridgewock?

A. I suppose not, sir. I don't know that they had been.

Q. Did you, as one of the selectmen, sign a certificate that they were residents, and if so, upon what representations?

A. I suppose that I did. I remember that I signed such paper. The general representation, as I understood, was, that it was a mere form to bring the thing right upon the books. Mr. Farwell produced the blank. He said that he wished us to sign such a blank, and the names were entered on the blank when it was presented to me. Mr. Parlin signed the blank first, although I was chairman.

Q. What right did you understand Mr. Farwell to have to dispose of these men?

A. I understood him to say that he had purchased these men. He did not say of whom, as I recollect.

Q. Did you purchase any other men for whom reimbursement was not allowed by the Commission on Equalization, and if so, of whom, how many, and at what price?

A. I purchased two of T. H. Dinsmore of Skowhegan, at about $500 each, I think, but am not quite certain. We had quite a trade with Dinsmore, and paid him money on account, as our receipts show.

Q. State the circumstances of the trade with Dinsmore.

A. I had been purchasing men of Dinsmore, and at the time I contracted for these two men I contracted for one other man, making three.

Q. Did Mr. Dinsmore state that he had any men, or did he say he would procure them?

A. I think he said he had two men that he could place upon the quota of our town. The inference in my mind was that they were naval men or marine men. I received a certificate from A. P. Davis, Provost Marshal, dated Feb. 20, 1865, certifiying that Joseph W. Maxcy and John Murphy had been credited on the quota of Norridgewock for three years, by the hand of Mr. Dinsmore, which certificate is hereto annexed, marked "D."

Q. Were the men named therein residents of Norridgewock?

A. I think not, sir.

HORATIO N. PAGE.

AUGUSTA, Me., Saturday, June 25, 1870.

A. H. ABBOT of China, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR.

Q. State whether you were on the board of selectmen of the town of China, and if so, whether you were instrumental in procuring credits to the quota of said town for which reimbursement was not allowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I was one of the board for the current year 1864–5—from March, 1864, to March, 1865—and I was instrumental in procuring some such men. I bought ten men of Frank Kenrick, Jr. Mr. Kenrick was a native of our town formerly, and I was seeking for men, and I think Mr. Kenrick came to my room. I was stopping here in Augusta at the Mansion House. The most of the conversation was in relation to the price. I understood that the men were re-enlisted. I don't know as he said anything about it. I supposed we were buying real men. We were always satisfied with the Provost Marshal's certificate of credit. We didn't pay the money until we got the proper certificate. We agreed to pay Kenrick $440 apiece, and we did pay him as per receipts hereunto annexed connected with certificates of credit signed by R. M. Littler —the file of papers marked "F," consisting of two certificates and three receipts, are the vouchers which we took.

Q. Did you, before concluding the bargain, consult with the Provost Marshal or Adjutant General, or other military authorities, in regard to the propriety of the transaction with Kenrick?

A. I did not.

Q. At what time did you pay for the men?

A. On the reception of the Provost Marshal's certificate.

Q. Did you ascertain, on or before paying Kenrick, who and where the men were you had bought of him?

A. I did not, except as I learned the names from the Provost Marshal's certificates before referred to.

Q. Are they the names of persons who were then or had been at any time residents of China?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Have you, as one of the selectmen, ever signed any certificate that they were residents of said town, and if so, on what inducement and representations?

A. No, I never signed any certificate in regard to these men, to my knowledge.

Q. Did you in 1864 make any return of the names of residents of your town who were or had been in the naval service during the war?

A. Yes. I think I sent in three times. We received a circular from the Governor or Adjutant General requesting us to look up all the naval men in town, and I went around town to ascertain how many men we had in the navy, and sent in their names on a blank sent to the selectmen.

Q. Did you concur with your associate, Mr. Redlon, in the purchase of eight men in the naval service bought of G. M. Delany, as per receipt annexed to the testimony of Mr. Redlon [*marked "A"*]?

A. I did. Mr. Redlon made the purchase of eight men of Delany, I think, and he used to report every night, as he lived above me?

Q. Were said men actual residents of your town, or did you at that time suppose them to be residents?

A. I supposed them to be recruited and credited to our town. I did not suppose them to be actual residents of the town.

Q. Have you ever signed any certificate that they were residents of the town, and if so, upon what inducements and representations, and by whom held out and made?

A. I think some time after the names had been entered upon the records of the town of China, and had been assigned to the town, that I signed a certificate of some kind certifying that they had been enlisted for the town of China. It was represented that all other towns, or many towns, were doing the same thing. I think Mr. Redlon told that me it would be necessary to return them the same as the other naval men.

(Gen. Connor shows witness a return which bears his signature.)

Yes, I did sign such certificate. I think that there was something said about it. It seems as though there was something said about that, and that I had doubts about the propriety of it, but Mr. Redlon remarked that other towns were doing the same.

A. H. ABBOT.

AUGUSTA, Me., Monday, June 27, 1870.

FREDERICK J. PARKS of Phipsburg, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Phipsburg for the year 1864-5?

A. I was, sir.

Q. Did you procure any men for your town under the calls of 1864 for whom reimbursement was not allowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and if so, state circumstantially all the facts within your knowledge pertaining to the purchase of said men and their credit to the quota of your town?

A. I did procure men for whom reimbursement was not allowed. In Jan., 1865, I came to Augusta and fell in with Mr. Colby—James Colby of Litchfield—of the firm of Colby & Pike, and I asked him what he would put in ten men for, and he said $400 apiece. I told him that I was not prepared to complete the trade then, that I should have to see the rest of the board first. I returned home the Saturday following, and the rest of the board told me to take the men; but when I came back he (Colby) told me he could not let me have them under $440 apiece, and that was $10 less than what he could get for them. I asked him if they were bona fide men, and he said they were bona fide men in the field, that he had them at his control. I told him that I didn't want them unless they were bona fide men—that I had refused to act as one of the selectmen to even raise money to pay commutation, and I did not want to pay money without getting men. He assured me that they were bona fide men. I did not pay for them until he had sent the number or names of the men to Lewiston and had them credited there and returned here to Augusta. I think he presented a certificate purporting to be from the Provost Marshal at Lewiston, certifying that ten men had been credited to our town. I don't think I took the certificate, but I am certain that he had one. He agreed at that time to furnish me those men's names, that I could record them in the book, but I never got them. I paid him $4,400 for the ten men and took a receipt from Colby & Pike. I actually supposed that they were bona fide men, and were all right.

Q. What representations did Pike & Colby make to you as to their right to dispose of these men?

A. They said that they had a right to dispose of them; that they were men that they had purchased.

Q. Did they state that they had acquired the right by the payment of bounties to the men themselves?

A. They did not, to my knowledge.

Q. Did you, prior to concluding the bargain with Pike & Colby, make any

enquiries of the Adjutant General or any officer of the Provost Marshal's department, as to the rightfulness of the proposed contract?

A. I did not.

Q. Can you present the receipt of Pike & Colby and other papers you may have received relating to said men?

A. I cannot. I never had other papers relating to these men than the receipt of Pike & Colby; and that receipt, as I understand, is in the hands of General Hodsdon.

FREDERICK J. PARKS.

Benjamin Tarbox of Phillips, sworn and examined.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the board of selectmen of Phillips in 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Did you in that capacity purchase men or credits to be allowed on the quota of Phillips for 1864, and if yea, of whom, how many men or credits and at what price for each?

A. I did, of Herriman & Libby of Auburn; twelve, at $450 each.

Q. Please state according to your best recollection what conversation relative to these men took place between you and said Herriman & Libby.

A. First we received a letter from them, and then the town sent me down to ascertain the particulars in regard to the matter. I was authorized to fill the quota; I went to Herriman & Libby and asked them what kind of men these recruits were. They said that they were men who had gone into the service, but were not assigned to any particular town—that these men were purchased in Washington by a firm in Augusta, and that they could have them of this firm so that they could afford to sell them for $450 apiece. I think the name of the firm in Augusta was Pike & Colby. I asked them if this would be straight with the Adjutant General and Maj. Littler, and with the Pro. Mar. there at Lewiston. They said "yes," and if I doubted their statement "go and ask the Provost Marshal at Lewiston." I did ask him, and stated the case to him, asking him if it would be right, and he said it would. I went home and stated the matter to my colleague, and he said it would be the best that we could do. We wrote Herriman & Libby to put us in twelve men; I think about the first of January, 1865.

Q. State if you were furnished by Herriman & Libby with a list of the names of these twelve men, and if so, will you state their names?

A. They did furnish me with a list of their names which were as follows: John Noonan, Wm. O'Brien, Andrew C. Dowed, Michael O'Connor, John F. Petermain, Bernard Smith, Thos. Stewart, Wm. Walsh, Wm. Simmons, Bernard Schwegan, Wm. D. Mills and John R. Franklin.

Q. Did they state to you in what particular service of the United States these men were, and whether they were residents of the United States or aliens?

A. I couldn't state that they did either.

Q. Did you pay for these men the price above stated, and take the receipt of Herriman & Libby for the same?

A. I did. Receipts hereto annexed, dated Feb. 1, and Feb. 15, 1865, respectively, signed Herriman, Libby & Co., marked "A" and "B."

Q. Did you require of Herriman & Libby any guarantee that these men should be allowed on your quota, and if so, what guarantee did they furnish?

A. I did require a guarantee, and they furnished the guarantee of Pike & Colby, hereunto annexed, dated January 26, 1865, signed by Colby & Pike and marked "C."

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, June 28, 1870.

Examination of BENJAMIN TARBOX continued.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Did you receive a certificate from any person that these twelve men were mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Phillips?

A. Yes, sir, I did receive the certificate of the Provost Marshal of the 2d District, which is hereto annexed marked "D," dated January 12, 1865, and signed by Nahum Morrill.

Q. Did said men named in the said certificate then or before reside in the town of Phillips?

A. No, sir; they did not.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you not well aware that you were not procuring actual enlistments of men, but were paying for the assignment of men to your town already in the service under a regular enlistment?

A. I was well aware that the men were already in the service.

Q. What interest, ownership or right of control did you believe that Herriman & Libby or Pike & Colby had in these twelve men for which you undertook to pay the sum of $5400?

A. My belief was on this ground, that they stated that they had purchased them at Washington, and if they bought them they had a right to sell them—that the Adjutant General accepted them, and Morrill told me it was all straight and I saw them credited.

Q. Was it represented by any person at the time that $5400, or any part of it, had been advanced by any person as town bounties to said twelve men?

A. I think not.

BENJAMIN TARBOX.

DANIEL R. MATTHEWS of Southport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Are you one of the selectmen of the town of Southport?

A. I am, sir.

Q. As such have you in your possession original papers in reference to the filling of your quota under the calls of July and December, 1864, and if yea, will you describe them and annex them to your deposition?

A. I have them. They are as follows: 1st, the certificate of R. M. Littler, dated January 30, 1865, marked "A"; 2d, certificate of Joseph T. Woodward, dated January 31, 1865, marked "B"; 3d, three receipts of Lewis Tibbetts, dated, the first, January 28, 1864, for $3575 for thirteen men, marked "C"; second, dated January 28, 1865, for $2700 for six three years' men, marked "D"; the third, dated February 21, 1865, for $1500 to get volunteers for the town of Southport, marked "E."

Q. Who did the business of filling your town's quota?

A. Lewis Tibbets, now of Augusta.

DANIEL R. MATTHEWS.

HAVEN A. BUTLER of North Berwick, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. What agency, if any, had you in filling the quota of your town under the call of July, 1864?

A. I was one of a committee chosen by the town of North Berwick to fill that quota, Nathaniel Hobbs being associated with me, and as such committee we employed Timothy H. Hubbard to fill said quota. As the evidence that such quota was filled, he furnished the certificate of Charles H. Doughty, Provost Marshal 1st District of Maine, dated October 19, 1864, containing four names, which certificate is hereto annexed marked "A," and we paid him $500 each for the men, as per his receipt hereunto annexed marked "B." Prior to receiving said certificate of Doughty, we received a letter from him dated October 14, 1864, marked "C," and hereto annexed.

Q. Were you not, at the time of making the contract for these men, well aware that the men you were procuring were already in the naval service of the United States, and were not men that Hubbard had enlisted or procured to be enlisted?

A. I had not the least idea that such was the case, and was not aware until long since that, that men were disposed of in any such way.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement for these men disallowed, and if so, upon what ground?

A. It was disallowed upon the ground that they were paper credits, so called.

HAVEN A. BUTLER.

WILLARD HERRICK of Greenwood, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you assist in filling the quota of your town under call of July, 1864?

A. I did, by purchasing of a broker named O. K. Yates, then of Greenwood, ten men. Yates now resides in Portland, Maine.

Q. Where and when did you see Yates?

A. I first saw him in Greenwood, at Locke's Mills, in June before the call. He thought there would be another call, and that he could fill our quota at $50 per man.

Q. Did he say then how he had procured or expected to procure them?

A. He said they were men that had enlisted in New Orleans and a friend of his had the men to dispose of. My impression at the time was that the men were in Portland then.

Q. Did you close the trade at that time?

A. I did not. He wished to go to Portland to see about the men, and wanted the town to pay his expenses, and we agreed to it.

Q. Did you afterwards have other negotiations with Yates, and if yea, state what they were?

A. I did. After he came back from Portland he told us he couldn't furnish us but four men at the price—$50 per man—but could furnish what we needed to fill our quota at $100 per man. We made the trade with him. Closed the bargain for ten men, four at $50 apiece and six at $100 per man, and the town paid him. The names of the four are as follows: John Evans, William E. Jones, John Williams and Hugh Daily. The names of the six are as follows: David Shine, John Turrell, Dominick Corbitt, John McLaughlin, James A. Rose and E. A. Hill.

Q. Are these the names of persons resident of your town or that you know?

A. They are not.

Q. State all that Yates said at any time about these men.

A. Well, I can't recollect anything that he said about the men except what he said about the four men that he said were enlisted in New Orleans.

Q. When you paid the money did not you know that they were already in the service?

A. I did not.

Q. Was it claimed by Yates that any part of this $100 or $50 was paid to the men?

A. I can't recollect that it was.

Q. What title did you suppose Yates had in them?

A. I supposed that he had enlisted some of them, and that those enlisted in New Orleans he had obtained the right to sell of those of whom he had them.

Q. Have you certified in any paper of any kind that they were residents of your town?

A. I don't think I have.

Q. Did you make a return of the men from your town who were serving or had been serving in the navy?

A. I think I made a return at one time. I know that I tried to find men, and I think if we had any that I made a return. [Mr. Sanborn shows witness a return made to the Naval Commissioners, signed by him as one of the selectmen, containing the names of six of the men had of Yates.] I signed the return. I think Mr. Yates brought this paper for the selectmen to sign.

Q. Have you any recollection of any explanations made to you or inducements held out to you to sign such paper?

A. I have not.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. At the time you signed the return, dated July 23, 1864, that said six men were residents in the town of Greenwood, and that they were enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from Greenwood, did you comprehend the purport of that paper?

A. I did not.

Q. Are you acquainted with the hand writing of said Yates?

A. I am, somewhat.

Q. Is the written part of said return in the hand writing of said Yates, according to your best knowledge and belief?

A. Well, I think it is.

Q. Is the return of said four men as residents of Greenwood, and enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from Greenwood, signed by William Richardson and Calvin Crocker as selectmen of Greenwood, where made out in writing, in the hand writing of said Yates, according to your best knowledge and belief?

A. I think it is.

WILLARD HERRICK.

William Richardson of Greenwood, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Greenwood in 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Were you present with Willard Herrick in making the trade with O. K. Yates for ten men to go upon the quota of Greenwood?

A. I was.

Q. Have you heard the statement of the negotiation given by him in his deposition here taken, and if so, have you personal recollection of all the facts stated by him?

A. I have.

Q. Are there any other facts or incidents connected with the transactions not stated by him that you now remember? if so, state the same.

A. There are facts in regard to the returns which I distinctly recollect. When Mr. Yates brought these returns for the selectmen to sign he said they must sign them, and he'd guarantee that the men named in them would be credited to our quota and remain so credited. And they always have remained so credited, and so we paid for them.

Q. Did you make any objection, or hesitate to sign them?

A. No, I did not.

Q. Did Yates give any explanation, or say it was right to sign them?

A. Well, he said if we wanted the men we must sign the papers.

Q. Did you read the papers before signing them, or did you know the contents of them?

A. I read only the names of the men, and I did not further know the contents?

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Were said men named in both returns, at that time residents in Greenwood, or had they been at any time before, to your knowledge?

A. No.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON.

Augusta, Me., Wednesday, June 29, 1870.

Warren P. Dyer of New Portland, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you or not agent of the town of New Portland to fill its quota under the call of December, 1864?

A. I was.

Q. State particularly the steps taken to procure the men.

A. I came here to Augusta and went around to the brokers' offices and fell in with Colby & Pike and went to their office. I told them I wanted sixteen men to fill our quota, and got their offer. I think their first offer was $400 per man, and I beat them down to $305. I think there was a difference in price between the one year's and three years' men, but I do not recollect what the difference was. I paid the money—$4880—and took a receipt for that amount, signed by Colby & Pike, dated December 24, 1864, hereto annexed marked "A." Previously to paying the same, however, I required, and Colby & Pike furnished, the certificate of credit, signed by A. K. Dennison, clerk in charge of credits, dated "office A. A. Provost Marshal General, Augusta, Me., December 24, 1864," hereto annexed marked "B."

Q. What representations, if any, did Colby & Pike make as to who the men were, where they were, and what right they had to sell them?

A. They told me that they had men—I think it was in Virginia—freed men—and that they had a man out there enlisting them, connected with them. I asked them in particular if they had them ready—told them I did not want to be delayed, as I knew that men were rising. They said that the men were ready—that they had forty of them examined and accepted—able-bodied men. I asked them in particular what their names were, and who the men were and I think they read the names over, but I can't recollect their names—but at any rate that they were colored men—freed men.

Q. Did they claim that any part of the $305 per man had been advanced to the men by them or their agent as town bounties?

A. I don't think they did.

Q. What right did you suppose Colby & Pike had to sell colored men in Virginia?

A. I supposed by what they said that they had enlisted them, and that they had cost them pretty near as much as I paid them.

Q. To whom was this cost paid?

A. They said they had to pay the men so much.

Q. Did you consult any of the military or State authorities in reference to the regularity of the proceedings?

A. I did not myself. I went into the Provost Marshal's office with Colby, and he told the Provost Marshal and showed him a list of the men, and told him he was going to transfer them to our town, and the Provost Marshal said it would be all right; and the next day after this interview the certificate marked "B" was brought to me.

Q. Did your town make claim for reimbursement for these sixteen men, and if so, with what result?

A. I believe the town did make such claim, and that it was disallowed.

Q. Has your town ever been furnished or procured in any way the list of these sixteen men?

A. Not to my knowledge.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. State according to your best recollection now, the sum which Colby & Pike said they had paid to each of these sixteen men.

A. I think it was $250.

WARREN P. DYER.

Joseph H. Jacobs of Thomaston, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you the agent of the town of Thomaston to fill its quota under the call of December, 1864?

A. I was.

Q. State what measures you took to fill that quota?

A. On the 30th day of December, 1864, I came to Augusta and visited the different brokers to ascertain their lowest terms for filling our quota. Their price for 3 years' men was $475. I made a conditional contract with John Watts & Co., substitute brokers, who had an office here, for 16 men for three years at $450 each. The bargain was $475, and I was to have $25 each for commission, but I charged the town only $450 per man, and I was to go home and consult the selectmen and the remainder of the committee of the town and see if they would ratify the bargain, and was to telegraph Watts & Co. Mr. Watts spoke of placing to the town's quota some men that re-enlisted in the field—that were then in the field, but not assigned to any town. I made enquiries, before allowing him to do so, as to the legality of the men, whether they would answer the purposes of the call. I made inquiries of the Provost Marshal, and think I did of Gen. Hodsdon and Gov. Cony. The Provost Marshal said that they would be allowed upon the quota of the town—I mean Maj. Littler, and not the District Provost Marshal. I don't remember what the Adjutant General or the Governor said, but I understood them to sanction the arrangement. I then returned home, and in a few days after I saw an order from Gen. Fry, Provost Marshal General of the United States, that such enlisted men would not be allowed. I returned to Augusta again and visited R. M. Littler's office, and he informed me that they would be allowed. Upon the production of the certificates of R. M. Littler by Mr. Watts, I paid the money

for thirteen men. Certificates dated January 14, 1865, and January 17, 1865, respectively, and hereunto annexed marked respectively "A" and "B." The other three were actual men enlisted at Augusta, for which reimbursement was allowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. For the thirteen men I paid J. H. Manley $5560 and took his two receipts therefor, dated January 17, 1865, hereto annexed marked "C," and the balance, $290, to John Watts, and took the receipt of John Watts & Co. by R. R. Wall, dated January 17, 1865, hereto annexed marked "D." Watts and Manley told me that if I presented the certificates marked "A" and "B" at the District Provost Marshal's office the thirteen men would be credited to our town. I did so present the certificates, and saw the names allowed on the books. The reason why I paid the money to Manley was because he would not deliver the certificates without, as Watts & Co. had the men of him and had not paid for them. The $290 to Watts & Co. was their profit on the transaction.

JOSEPH H. JACOBS.

MOSES R. MATHEWS of Warren, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Warren in 1864–5, and as such did you assist in filling the quota of the town under call of December, 1864?

A. I was, and I did assist in filling said quota.

Q. State in what manner you filled the quota.

A. The town held a meeting and instructed the selectmen to fill the quota as best they could, in town or out. C. T. Bean, then of our town, came to me and wanted to fill the quota—would fill it for $448 a man. I stated to him that I would not contract with him until I satisfied myself what the men could be had for in Augusta. He says, "I will take my team and take you to Augusta with the understanding that I shall have the furnishing of the men if I will furnish them as low as any one else;" to which I agreed. Accordingly we came to Augusta, and I fell in with a man from Lewiston by the name of Z. R. Wright, who offered to furnish men enough to fill our quota at $435 a man. He referred me to parties in the Provost Marshal's office as to the statements which he had made about the men. He stated to me that these men had been picked up by his runners round through the country, on the Canada lines, and had been examined by a United States surgeon, accepted and mustered into the United States service, and were already to put into the quota of towns. I then went to Dr. Bean and told him I was ready to fulfil my agreement if he would furnish as low as any one else. He wanted to know what I would give, and I told him $425 a man. He wanted to know where I could get them for that money, and I said to him "of Mr. Wright," who was then present, and I gave him an introduction. They then had some conversation, and he came to me and offered to furnish the men at $435 a man. I finally agreed with him to furnish the men at $430 per man, and when he brought me the receipts with the names of the men from the military authorites here at Augusta, duly credited

to the town of Warren, his money would be ready for him. Accordingly he did bring me the names of the men duly credited and I paid him his money, at $430 per man, and took the receipts hereto annexed, dated February 3, 1865, and February 7, 1865, and marked "A" and "B" respectively. The certificate of credit, above referred to, dated January 27, 1865, and signed by Jos. T. Woodward, commissioner, is hereto annexed, marked "C."

Q. Are the names contained in said certificate marked "C" the names of men who are or ever were residents of your town?

A. They are not.

Q. Did any other broker or other person claim of you or your town payment for these men? If so, state the character of the claim and all the particulars in reference to it.

A. There were parties that called on the town for pay for those men that Bean had furnished. One of the parties was Z. R. Wright of Lewiston, whose letter is hereunto annexed, marked "D," and dated February 18, 1865. The other party was G. P. Cochrane, whose letter dated May 21, 1865, is hereunto annexed marked "E." The demand of Wright in his letter marked "D," above referred to was that he agreed with C. T. Bean to put fifteen men on our town's quota, and left it with Capt. Cochrane to give receipt for money in case he was absent—that he had been unable to see Bean, but had learned that he had been to Augusta and paid only $3,000, and he, Wright, claimed the balance, threatening to reassign the men. The claim of Cochrane, in his letter marked "E," and above referred to, was, that he was to furnish the men, having an understanding with Wright and having control of those credits—that he did furnish the men, and was to receive $400 per man—that Bean came here to Augusta when he, Cochrane, was sick, and settled with a man by the name of Higgins, who was not a party to the contract, paying him but $230 per man; and that Bean was an agent of the town of Warren, and therefore the town was liable for the balance. I replied to him by letter that Bean was not agent of the town, that I, myself, was agent of the town, and Bean acted as broker. I wish to add, that I enlisted a man from the town of Warren by the name of Henry A. Davis—that I brought him to Augusta, had him examined by a United States surgeon and accepted, and that I made a deposit of $475 with Maj. Littler for said Henry A. Davis' bounty, and left for home. In the course of a week, or such a matter, Henry A. Davis came home, saying that he had got out of it. I inquired of him about the money that I had deposited for his bounty, and he said he knew nothing about it. I then came to Augusta with said Davis and made inquiries with Maj. Littler how it was that he had been sent home; and he replied that Davis was a damned fool, and that he had put in another man in his stead. Davis was an able-bodied man of ordinary intelligence, and had served his time out in a nine months' regiment. I have a paper at home from Joseph T. Woodward, commissioner, stating that R. J. Chapman had been put in instead of said Davis. I will forward this paper to be annexed to my deposition. (Received August 25, 1870, and annexed, marked F.)

M. R. MATHEWS.

H. B. Connor of Pittsfield, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Pittsfield in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. What did you do towards filling your quota under call of December, 1864?

A. I made a bargain with Daniel H. Brown of Clinton, who had a broker's office here in Augusta, to furnish sixteen men at $450 each.

Q. What did you require of him before paying the money?

A. I required a certificate from the military authorities that the men were credited to the quota of our town, and Brown brought me the certificate of R. M. Littler containing the names of the men, dated January 17, 1865, hereto annexed marked "A," and I paid him $7,200 and took his receipt therefor on the back of said certificate, dated January 19, 1865.

Q. Did Brown represent, or claim to represent, any other party, or did he have the men of any other person?

A. Not that I know of.

Q. Did he say who or where the men were, or did you ask him?

A. Not that I recollect.

Q. Did you consult any of the military authorities as to the regularity of the transfer?

A. Not that I recollect.

Q. Did you make any stipulation that they should be real enlisted men, or was the contract that he should procure the evidence that the quota was filled?

A. The contract was that he should procure evidence that the quota was filled, as he did.

Q. Are the persons named in the annexed certificate persons that you know, or that were or are residents of your town?

A. No, sir; none of them.

Q. At the time of making this contract had you any knowledge or intimation that a town's quota could be filled in any other way than by the actual enlistment of men?

A. I had not.

H. B. CONNOR.

S. F. Small of Temple, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Temple in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Were you engaged in filling the quotas of your town under the calls of July and December, 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Was your town's claim for reimbursement disallowed in part for men procured by you to fill said quota?

A. It was disallowed, as to twelve men.

Q. How and of whom were those twelve men procured.

A. I procured them of O. K. Yates, who seemed to do the business under the style of G. M. Delany & Co.

Q. State the negotiations which you had with said Yates, fully.

A. As near as I can recollect, on this call of July I went down to Lewiston to see what I could do in obtaining some men. I inquired of the Provost Marshal and others there in relation to men that he could hire to fill the quota, and I couldn't seem to find any there. I went home, and in a few days I received a letter from a man by the name of Eastman—I don't recollect the given name. He lived in the town of Stow. He stated in his letter that he had men to furnish to fill towns' quotas. After consulting the selectmen and others that were interested, it was decided that I should go to Lewiston again, and I went, expecting to find Eastman there. I did not find him at Lewiston, and I started and went to the town of Stow and found him. The amount of what he told me was that he was an agent for Delany & Yates—that he had no men himself, and that I could find Delany & Yates in Lewiston or Augusta. I went back to Lewiston and found Mr. Yates there. He called his name O. K. Yates. I asked him if he was prepared to fill towns' quotas with men, and he said he was. I told him that I wanted ten men to fill the quota, and he said that he could furnish them for $400 apiece. Well, I talked with him and told him that was more than I expected to pay, but he said he was getting short of men and could do it for no less. He said he would furnish them for that, and when they were credited on our quota at the Provost Marshal's office he should want his pay. I told him that I didn't feel authorized to pay so much as that, and asked him if he would give me the refusal of them until the cars came in from Farmington the next day, and he said he would. That afternoon I took the cars and went home to Temple. I found the other two selectmen that night and several other townsmen and consulted with them about what it was best to do, and the conclusion was that it was best to take the men. I took the cars the next morning and went back to Lewiston, and arrived there about twelve o'clock and found Mr. Yates. He wanted to know if I had concluded to take the men, and I told him that I had. He said he was sorry that I concluded to take them for he had been offered more for them. He wanted to know what he should give me to give up the bargain. I told him that our folks at home were expecting to have the men and I didn't want to give them up, and he said he should do as he had agreed and I should have them. He told me that I could go home, and when he got the men credited he would notify me by letter and would be there at Lewiston, and wanted me to come down and pay him for them. I should think that in some where about a week I received a letter from him stating that the men were credited to our quota, and he should be at Lewiston on such a day and wanted me to come down, and I went. I went to the Provost Marshal's office and inquired if that amount of men were credited to our quota, and was informed that there was—the quota was full. I found Mr. Yates and paid him, and took the receipt of G. M. Delany & Co., dated August 31, 1864, for $4,000, hereto annexed marked "A."

Q. Did Yates say who the men were, or how he obtained them, or what he paid for them?

A. He told me that they were men that had formerly been enlisted and

gone into the service—credited to no town—and that he had a right to sell them or have them credited to towns.

Q. Did you understand that he had bought the right of the military authorities, or of the men themselves?

A. I couldn't say that I recollect how he said he came by the right.

Q. Were you ever furnished with a list of the names of these ten men?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What became of it?

A. Well, sir, I don't know what became of it; I took the list and carried it home. I saw the names upon the Provost Marshal's books, as credited to the town.

Q. Were they names of persons known to you or residents of your town?

A. No, sir.

Q. Of whom did you have the other two men spoken of?

A. I had them of Yates, also.

Q. State what trade you made for them, fully.

A. I bought of him four men at two different times—two at a time, and two of the four were not allowed in reimbursement. The representations made about them was that he had them to dispose of. The talk was similar to that which we had about the other ten. I paid $750 for the two which were disallowed, and took the receipt of G. M. Delany & Co., dated January 17, 1865, which receipt is hereto annexed marked "B." Previous to paying the money I received the certificate of R. M. Littler, endorsed by Nahum Morrill, hereto annexed marked "C." I also got a paper from Nahum Morrill, Provost Marshal, certifying that the quota of Temple under call of December 19, 1864, was full, which paper is hereto annexed marked "D."

Q. Were the last two men, represented to be real men, actually enlisted?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. At the time you got the first ten men, had you any knowledge or intimation that quotas could be filled in any other way than by actual enlistment?

A. Well, I supposed by what the officers then told me that they could be filled by the men I had of Yates, whom, he said, were already enlisted and not assigned to any town.

Q. Look at this record of naval credits and say whether these ten credited to the town of Temple are those had of Yates.

A. I have read the names and they sound like those I had of Yates, but I can't remember that they are.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Were the ten men had of Yates residents of your town at that time, or had they ever been to your knowledge?

A. Never, to my knowledge.

Q. Do you recollect of signing any return or certificate that said men were residents in Temple?

A. No, sir; I do not.

Q. Do you recognize the names upon the record of naval credits to the town of Temple as persons ever resident in Temple?

A. Never, to my knowledge.

Q. Were there any persons resident or liable to enrolment in the town of Temple in 1863 or 1864, who were in the United States navy, to your know-

A. No.

Q. Please look at the return here produced of persons resident or liable to enrolment who were in the naval service of the United States, named therein, and signed by yourself, James Libby and A. W. Farmer as selectmen, as presenting a correct exhibit of the enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from Temple, bearing date "Temple, August 18, 1864," and state if you signed said return?

A. I couldn't say whether it is or not. It looks like it, but I have no recollection of signing it.

Q. If you had known the contents of said return, would you have signed it?

A. I should not.

Q. In whose hand writing do you think those three signatures are?

A. It looks like my hand writing.

Q. According to your best recollection, was that return filled up as it now is when you put those signatures to it?

A. No, sir, it was not.

S. F. SMALL.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 30, 1870.

JOHN LARRABEE of Mexico, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Mexico in 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Did you in that capacity obtain men or credits to be allowed on the quotas of your town for 1864, and if yea, of whom, how many, and at what price?

A. I did, of Herriman, Libby & Co. of Auburn; four men, at $450 apiece.

Q. What representations, if any, did they make to you, as to these men, where they were or who they were, or by what authority they disposed of them?

A. I think they made no representations in regard to them.

Q. What papers, if any, did they furnish you showing that these men were allowed on your quota?

A. They furnished me a certificate dated Jan'y 11, 1865, signed by Nahum Morrill, containing the names of four men, which certificate is hereto annexed marked "A."

Q. Did they give you any receipt for the money paid for these men?

A. They gave me the receipt hereto annexed, marked "B," dated Jan. 20, 1865, and signed by Herriman, Libby & Co.

Q. Did you make any inquiries of the State or United States military authorities as to the authority of Herriman, Libby & Co. to sell those men to be allowed on your quota?

A. I made inquiries of Mr. Morrill, the Provost Marshal, to know if men put in by these parties would be allowed on our quota, and he told me they would be allowed.

Q. Did you obtain other men or credits to be allowed on your quota, if so, of whom, how many, and at what price?

A. I did, of G. M. Delany & Co.—six men, at $500 each. This was in August, 1864.

Q. What statements, if any, did said Delany & Co., or either of them make as to these six men; where they were, who they were, or their authority to dispose of them?

A. None, except that they were navy men on board the Ohio.

Q. Have you any paper showing the names of these six men, and that they were allowed on the quota of Mexico?

A. I have none with me, but I think we have at the selectmen's office in Mexico; I will endeavor to forward them to be annexed to this deposition.

Q. Do you recollect the names of these six men or any of them?

A. I did not.

Q. Were they at that time, or any time before, residents of Mexico to your knowledge?

A. They were not.

Q. Have you signed any return or certificate that they were residents of Mexico, to your knowledge?

A. I have not.

Q. Here is a paper which purports to be a return of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Mexico, containing the names of persons as enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from the town of Mexico, dated August 24, 1864. Did you sign said paper?

A. No, sir, I did not.

Q. Is your name signed to such paper; and if not in your hand writing, state if you know, in whose hand writing you think it is?

A. It is; I do not know in whose hand writing it is. I do not recognize the hand writing.

Q. Is the signature of B. W. Stockwell as one of the selectmen of Mexico, to said paper, in his hand writing?

A. I think not.

Q. Look at the names in said return and read them, and state if they were at the date of that paper, or at any time before, residents in Mexico, to your knowledge?

A. They were not.

Q. Did you ever authorize any person to sign your name or that of said Stockwell, to that return?

A. Not to my recollection.

Q. If you had at that time known the contents of said paper, would you have signed?

A. I would not.

Q. Do you recollect that any person stated to you that in order to have said men allowed on your quota it was necessary for you to sign it?

A. I am positive that no one did.

Q. Did any person represent to you that for that purpose it would be necessary for you to claim said men as residents of Mexico as a mere matter of form?

A. To the best of my recollection there might have been some such talk by outsiders, but none by Delany or O. K. Yates.

Q. State that talk, and by whom made, to the best of your recollection.

A. According to my best recollection I cannot state the talk, nor specify the persons, but I think it was talked over by some persons in our town afterwards. About the time of this transaction I was at the post office in Mexico—I can't recollect whether it was before or after the money was paid—and there was some conversation about this matter.

JOHN LARRABEE.

ORCHARD C. GREELY of Palermo, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Palermo in 1864?

A. I was, sir.

Q. As such did you obtain men or credits to be allowed on the quota of Palermo in 1864, if yea, of whom, how many, and at what price per man?

A. I did, of Josiah H. Greely; fifteen men, I think, at $200 per man.

Q. Did said Josiah H. Greely make any statements to you as to where these men were, who they were, or his authority to dispose of them?

A. I don't recollect that he did, except that he told me there was one or two of them in China, and two or three west of the Kennebec river, I think.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the State or United States military authorities as to his authority to dispose of them to be allowed on your quota?

A. I can't state whether I did or not.

Q. Did he furnish you with a certificate of the Provost Marshal at Belfast, with the names of said men, showing that they were allowed on your quota?

A. I don't recollect that he did.

Q. Can you give the names of said men, or either one of them?

A. No, I have no knowledge of their names.

Q. Have you any receipts showing that the town of Palermo paid said J. H. Greely the sum of $3,000 for these men, and if not do you know of your own knowledge that the town paid him that sum?

A. I have not receipts showing that fact. I know of my own knowledge that he was paid $1,500 by the town.

Q. Were said men or any of them at that time or before residents in the town of Palermo, to your knowledge?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Read this return of persons resident or liable to enrolment in Palermo, who were in the service of the United States navy, presenting a correct exhibit of the enlisted seamen in the service of the United States, under date of August 1st, 1864, and state if you signed the same?

A. Well, I signed this paper.

Q. Having now read the names of persons specified therein, state if, at that time, they were residents in Palermo, to your knowledge?

A. They were not, to my knowledge.

Q. If, when you signed said return, you had known the contents thereof, would you have signed it?

A. Well, I supposed at the time that they were all good men. If I had known its contents I don't think I should have signed it.

Q. Do you recollect who presented said return to you for your signature, and if so, who was it?

A. Yes, sir. It was Josiah H. Greely.

Q. Did you read said paper before you signed it, or was it read to you?

A. Well, I couldn't state whether I read it or not, but my impression is that he said it was all right, and I signed it.

Q. Do you recollect when he handed said paper to you to sign, or the place?

A. I don't recollect the time, but I recollect the place; it was at Augusta, and I think at his boarding house.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Is, or not, Josiah H. Greely a relative of yours?

A. Well, he is a distant relative. His father was an own cousin to me.

Q. Look at the return already referred to, and state whether in your opinion the first signature to it is a genuine signature.

A. I think I signed that myself by direction of Mr. Bowler. He was at home, and said put his name to the paper, if it was right.

Q. When he said put his name to the paper, what paper did he refer to?

A. Well, in order to get these men in—I don't know that he referred to any particular paper.

Q. Having been directed by Mr. Bowler to put his name to an official paper in his official character as selectman of your town, if said paper was right, did you so affix his name without reading the paper to see whether it was right or not?

A. Well, it has been some time; I don't recollect whether I did read it or not, but Josiah H. Greely said it was all right to sign the paper.

Q. Did you consider yourself authorized by your colleague, Mr. Bowler, to sign his name officially to the paper because Josiah H. Greely said it was right?

A. Well, I believed it to be right—Greely said it was right, and Bowler told me to put his name to the paper. I don't know that this is the paper.

Q. What paper was there talked of by Bowler and you beforehand, which he or you supposed it might become necessary to have signed by the selectmen officially?

A. Well, Josiah H. Greely was with me at Bowler's, and we talked of signing a paper, and I suppose this (putting his hand on the naval return) to be the paper.

Q. What was the paper talked of at Bowler's, which it was supposed it would be necessary for the selectmen to sign?

A. As near as I can recollect, Josiah H. Greely said we should have to sign a paper in order to put these men in, and Mr. Bowler told me to put his name to the paper if it was right; and we came to Augusta and Josiah said it was right, and I did put his name to it.

Q. Was it not explained that the selectmen would be required as a matter of form to claim the men as residents of Palermo?

A. I don't recollect of any such talk.

Q. In whose hand writing is the filling up of the certificate on said return?

A. I think it is Josiah H. Greely's.

Q. Do you swear that you did not read this short, printed certificate before putting the name of yourself and your colleague to it as selectmen?

A. Well, I might and I might not; Josiah told me it was all right and I signed the paper.

O. C. GREELY.

ALFRED A. EASTMAN of Chatham, N. H., sworn and examined.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Stow for 1864?

A. I was.

Q. State as briefly as you can what proceedings you took to fill your town's quotas under the calls of 1864?

A. I think it was in the last of July or first of August there was a call or the prospect of one and our town had a meeting, and it was stated that we ought to have allowance for two men in the navy—residents of our town. They appointed me to go to Augusta to see about them, and also to put in three other men to fill our quota. I came to Augusta and couldn't do anything as to getting the two navy men allowed, and then started for home. One was named Wiswell and the other Andrews. On the way to Portland in the cars I met Geo. M. Delany, whom I had seen before and was somewhat acquainted with. In talking with him I made known my business, and he said he was putting in men. I asked what men were worth, and he said three hundred dollars per man. I made the arrangement with him to put in three men. He said he had put them in at Augusta and would have them transferred to Lewiston in our district. I was to pay for them when they were credited to our quota. I also made arrangements with him to put in two more, provided the town would vote to accept them at that rate. He said the names would be at the office in Lewiston the next Monday forenoon, and I was to be there to pay for them. I went there but the names had not come. As I wanted to go home that afternoon I asked Mr. Perham, who belonged in the office, if I could leave the money with him, and he said he would not take it. At his suggestion I left it with Mr. Chamberlain on condition that it should be paid over when the names had been assigned to our quota. A few days after I got home—three or four—I received a receipt for the money and that the men were put in; also duplicates of the names and numbers of the men.

Q. Are the names (5) in the two duplicates referred to the names of persons known to you or residents in your town, or were they at the time?

A. No, they were not. That paper, the one dated August 23d, containing two signatures, I signed my name to and that of my associate J. J. Bemis, by his authority. I think it was in blank.

Q. For what purpose did you sign a blank paper?

A. Mr. Yates said it would be sent to Augusta to be filled out. He said it

would be necessary to sign it, and I did so. I don't know whether I read it or not.

Q. Did you not know, and was it not obvious upon the paper itself, that when filled out it was to be a certificate that the men bought of Yates were residents of Stow?

A. Yes, I think it did.

Q. Look at the duplicate dated August 6, 1864, and state whether it is signed by yourself or Mr. Bemis.

A. No, sir; it is not.

Q. In whose handwriting, if you know, are the signatures on said paper?

A. I do not know.

Q. Why did you not, in making two returns of persons resident in Stow in the naval service, put into one of said returns the names of Wiswell and Andrews, who, you say, were in the navy and residents of your town?

A. Well, I can't tell otherwise than we had tried to get them allowed previous to this time and couldn't.

Q. Had you made any written claim to have them allowed, and if so, when and in what form?

A. I don't seem to remember it was so long ago, but I think that when I came down to get them allowed I had a letter or statement from Wiswell's father, but what the nature of it was I can't recollect.

Q. Will you annex the two duplicate returns and Delany & Co.'s receipt to your deposition?

A. I will annex them, and they are hereto annexed marked "A," "B" and "C," respectively.

Q. Did you afterwards buy three other men of Delany & Co., and if yea, state all the particulars of the transaction.

A. Yes, I bought three of him some time the first of January, 1865. They represented them to me as men that they had put into the service here at Augusta, and they had them transferred to our district. I paid $1350 for the men, and they produced the certificate of Maj. R. M. Littler, hereto annexed marked "D," dated January 14, 1865, containing the names of the men, and endorsed on the back by Nahum Morrill, Capt. and Provost Marshal 2d District of Maine. I also was at the Provost Marshal's office in Auburn and saw the names on the books credited to the town of Stow. I paid the money to O. K. Yates, and took a receipt signed by Geo. M. Delany & Co., which receipt has been mislaid or lost.

Q. Are the names in said certificate the names of persons that you know or residents of Stow?

A. No, sir.

ALFRED A. EASTMAN.

DANFORD CARROLL of Union, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Union, and as such did you assist in filling the quota of your town under the call of December, 1864?

A. I was, and did assist in filling said quota.

Q. Did you procure fourteen men or fourteen names for which the town's claim for reimbursement was disallowed by the Commission on Equalizing Municipal War Debts?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom, when, and at what price were these fourteen men obtained?

A. Of John P. Deering & Co., as appears by a telegraph despatch that we received from them, for $6,200. It was late in 1864 or early in 1865.

Q. State all the particulars of the negotiation with Deering & Co. for those men.

A. Well, soon after we came here we went to Maj. Littler's office. We had a little business with him, and we inquired of him who the most responsible parties were in the place. He recommended us to Deering & Co. Accordingly we called upon them and asked their price. Their price was $450 per man; but after a little talk we got them for $6,200—the fourteen men—which made it $100 less. We were something at a loss to know whether we should put them in for one year or for three years; we accordingly made arrangements with him to go home and consult our people there, and to telegraph him from Rockland. After going home and consulting some of our leading men, we decided to have them for three years, and we telegraphed Deering & Co. accordingly. Deering said he had the men here and he would have them assigned to our town—men that he had bought, that hadn't been assigned to any town.

Q. What evidence did he produce that the men were assigned to your quota?

A. We received by mail from Augusta the certificate of Maj. Littler, dated January 18, 1865, marked "A," and hereto annexed, containing a list of the names.

Q. Are the persons named in that list residents of your town, or have they ever been?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you believe at the time that the men were real men, enlisted in this State?

A. We did.

Q. Had you any knowledge at that time that persons were selling the names of men already in the service, and assigning them to towns?

A. We had not.

DANFORD CARROLL.

ORRICK HAWES of Vassalboro', sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. What steps did your town take to fill its quota under call of December, 1864?

A. We had a town meeting at which Mr. Ira D. Sturgis was present and said he could get thirty men to fill the town's quota, and would do so and advance the money himself, and let the town pay him. He said he could get them for $450 each. The town voted to accept the offer, and that Mr. Sturgis and I should be agents to fill the quota. We paid him the money and took his receipt dated January 14, 1865, hereto annexed, marked "A," but prior to

paying the money he brought us the certificate of Joseph T. Woodward, commissioner, dated January 9, 1865, containing a list of the names of the men, hereto annexed, marked "B."

Q. Are the names on said list, or any of them, the names of persons resident of Vassalboro', or that you know?

A. They are not.

Q. Had you any knowledge or intimation from Mr. Sturgis, or any other person, that these thirty men were already in the service under regular enlistments, and that brokers, with or without authority, were selling out their names to the highest bidders?

A. I had not. I thought they were men until I found them disallowed in reimbursement. I supposed they were here in Augusta.

Q. Look at the town's claim for reimbursement, and state whether Albert Bigelow, Thomas Hayes, John E. Williams, Joseph King and Thomas Irving, named on said claim, were disallowed reimbursement by the Equalization Commissioners.

A. They were.

Q. Were they ever residents of your town, or persons that you know?

A. They were not residents to my knowledge, or persons that I know.

Q. Of whom, and at what price were those five men bought?

A. Of Delany, at $200 each. My associate, Mr. Low, made the trade for these five men. It may not be that the five names which I have given were the identical five bought of Delany.

ORRICK HAWES.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, July 1, 1870.

JOHN BRACKETT, 2d, of Parsonsfield, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you an agent of the town of Paraonsfield to fill its quotas in 1864?

A. I was; and Nathaniel Pendexter was associated with me.

Q. What steps did he and you take in the fall of 1864 to fill the quotas of your town?

A. He went to Portland in October I think, and I went down the next day and found that he had contracted with Timothy H. Hubbard for twenty-seven men, which he, Hubbard, claimed he had the right to dispose of. I met Pendexter and he told me what he had done. I told him that we must go to work ourselves, that we couldn't wait for Hubbard to get them; and we did go to work, and finally we got enough lacking ten men. I told Pendexter at first that if Hubbard had the men ready to put in we would take them; also, that we would take them of Hubbard as fast as he would furnish them. During three weeks in which we were there, and were getting some men every day ourselves, Hubbard got three men only, and was allowed to muster them in, and

we paid for them. At this time John N. Stimson appeared to be interested in the matter, and asked us why we did not go home and leave the matter just as it was and leave the ten men that we lacked to be supplied by them, Stimson & Hubbard. Stimson said that perhaps they would have to go to Washington to get the evidence that the men were enlisted and mustered in, as at that time they could not show any evidence satisfactory to me that they had the men. I objected to the delay, as we had been threatened that in three days there would be a draft if our quota was not full. I looked to Doughty, the Provost Marshal, and he said that if we would go home and wait for the evidence that the ten men were put in he would hold us harmless until the evidence came, or if it failed to come he would notify us and then give us time to fill the quota. Mr. Pendexter and I then went home, and in about ten days Mr. Stimson brought to me in my field, the certificate of Charles H. Doughty, dated October 20, 1864, containing the names of ten men, which certificate is hereto annexed marked "A." I told him that I would not pay for the men until I had been to the office of the Provost Marshal myself, and made certain that the men were credited to our town on the Provost Marshal's books. I made arrangements to go upon a certain day, and Stimson was to meet me at Portland. I went on the day appointed, and with Stimson went to the Provost Marshal's office, and there I saw upon the books the names shown in the certificate above referred to, duly credited to our town, and was assured by Capt. Doughty himself, that the quota was full. I then paid said Stimson $4850, and took his receipt marked "B," hereto annexed, dated October 20, 1864.

Q. Are the names on that certificate the names of persons that have ever been residents of your town or vicinity?

A. No, sir.

Q. What did Hubbard or Stimson say as to who the men were, where they were, what they paid for them, or by whom enlisted?

A. They claimed that they were re-enlisted by Stimson in the field; that he had them to dispose of from a lot of men that he had already disposed of in part, and that they had paid a bounty to them, but did not say how much.

Q. How many of such men was it claimed that Stimson had?

A. I don't know, but Hubbard made the contract at first for twenty-seven men, which he said were left from a lot that Stimson had re-enlisted in the field.

Q. Did you at that time expect to secure the actual enlistment of men, and would you have paid for credits for men already in the field under a regular enlistment?

A. I did expect to secure actual men, and would not have paid for men already in the service under a regular enlistment.

Q. How many men can you now remember, residents of Parsonsfield, in the naval or marine service during the rebellion?

A. From personal knowledge I cannot recollect a single man, but it is reported that we had two or more.

Q. Do you know that the ten men you purchased of Hubbard & Stimson as re-enlisted men in the field, were really credited to your town as so many men resident of your town serving in the United States navy?

A. I don't know; but I now find by a record shown me by you, purporting to be a record of men allowed by the Naval Commissioners, the same names credited therein to Parsonsfield, and also the same names upon a return, or what purports to be a return, of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Psrsonsfield, signed, or purporting to be signed, by Elliott Fernald, Samuel Merrill, and N. Pendexter, agent, as selectmen of Parsonsfield.

JOHN BRACKETT, 2d.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, July 12, 1870.

THOMAS CUNNINGHAM of Edgecomb, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Edgecomb for the year 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Were you engaged in filling the quotas of Edgecomb under the calls of July and December, 1864.

A. Yes, sir, I believe I was.

Q. What steps did you take to get men?

A. I had to get them as best I could. I got some of one broker and some of another. I had got all that I could at home before coming over here. I got some of Mr. Delany and some of another broker, whose name I have forgotten. The six navy men I got of Delany.

Q. State particularly the negotiation you had with Delany.

A. I told Delany that I wanted some men, and he said he had some navy men that he would put in, and I agreed with him for six of them for about $1,400, I think. General Hodsdon said they would count on our quota, and they were credited on his books to our town.

Q. Did you see General Hodsdon, and did he make that statement before you paid Delany for the men?

A. I couldn't state certain, but I think it was before I paid Delany for them.

Q. Did you have, or have you ever had a list of the names of the men?

A. I don't recollect that I had or ever have had, but I saw the names on the book at the Adjutant General's office.

Q. Were the names that you saw the names of persons that you knew or had ever known?

A. No, sir. They were foreigners.

Q. Have you in any blank or return claimed them to be residents of your town?

A. No, sir, not that I know of.

Q. What, if anything, did Delany say as to who the men were, where they were, or his authority to assign them to your town?

A. He said that they were men put to the credit of Maine and Massachu-

setts, to help them out on their quotas, and were to be put on board the Receiving Ship Ohio.

Q. If these men were put to the credit of Maine and Massachusetts, why did you pay Delany for them?

A. I couldn't say; but we had to pay for them before we could get them out of their hands, and they were the only men we could get at that time.

Q. Did you understand that Delany had obtained the right to sell these men from the military authorities of the State or United States, or from the men themselves?

A. I understood that he got the authority from the United States authorities.

Q. Did Delany pretend that he had paid anything to the men themselves as town bounties?

A. I don't recollect that he did, but I think he had to pay something for them in some way. I didn't ask anything about that, as my object was to get the quota filled.

Q. Did you believe at the time that these six men were foreigners who had a short time previously been enlisted into the navy at some port in this State?

A. I did, sir, by what Delany said to me.

Q. Do you understand that your town's claim for reimbursement for these men was disallowed by the Equalization Commissioners?

A. I do.

Q. Look at this record of naval credits to the town of Edgecomb and state which of the names there entered were residents of the town.

A. Daniel Alby, David Cate, Gardiner Curtis, John F. Merrill, Isaac G. Sherman, Alpheus Whitney, and James W. Tyler. There is but one David Cate, and he went into the navy as Master or Lieutenant Commander. John Carter, Thomas Corbit, W. C. Cushman, Benjamin Hiller, J. W. Hunt and John McCabe, mentioned in said record, are strangers and not residents of Edgecomb to my knowledge.

Q. Look at this return of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Edgecomb, in service in the United States navy, and state whether you signed the same?

A. (Witness looks.) That is my name and my signature.

Q. Have you any doubt that the first six names in said return are the six men you bought of Delany?

A. I think they are, sir. They are not men that belonged to our town.

Q. Why did you certify that these six men were residents of your town?

A. I don't know, sir.

Q. Is the signature of Spencer Clifford a genuine signature, and was he at that time one of the selectmen?

A. I think it is his genuine signature. He was one of the selectmen at that time.

Q. In whose handwriting is the filling up of the bank?

A. I do not know, excepting that the name of James W. Tyler is in the handwriting of Spencer Clifford, together with the remarks opposite same.

THOS. CUNNINGHAM.

HENRY WILLIAMSON of Starks, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Starks for the year 1864, and as such, did you assist in filling its quotas?

A. I was one of the selectmen that year, and as such did assist in filling its quotas.

Q. Did you obtain a number of men for whom your town was refused reimbursement by the Equalization Commissioners? if so, state how many and all the particulars.

A. Fourteen men that we purchased of A. B. Farwell the Commissioners said that they could not allow us.

Q. Did you make the trade with Farwell yourself, personally?

A. I did.

Q. Now state all the particulars with regard to the trade with Farwell for these fourteen men.

A. The town voted to pay $500 per man to fill the quota, and I was directed to procure the men. I came to Augusta. A. B. Farwell offered to sell me men. I asked him where his men were. He said he had been to Washington and to the front, and had purchased re-enlisted men which he had to sell to towns wishing to fill their quotas. I said to him that I should not buy until I could be assured that they would be received at the Adjutant General's office and put to Starks' quota. He, subsequently, brought me a line from General Hodsdon saying that if I bought men of A. B. Farwell it would be all right, and they would be put to the town's quota. This paper, I think, is now among the papers of our town at home, and I will endeavor to place it at the disposal of the Commission, to be annexed to my deposition. A few days after the said paper from Gen. Hodsdon was brought to me, I called on the Adjutant General at the Stanley House in this city, and in the presence of several men who were engaged in filling quotas, asked him, "If I buy men of A. B. Farwell, will they be put to Starks' quota?" He replied, "I don't know anything about A. B. Farwell's men." I then opened and presented to him the paper with his signature, in which he had said that men purchased of A. B. Farwell would be put to our credit. I said, "General, do you know anything about that document?" He said to me after looking at it, "If you purchase those men it will be all right," and left very suddenly. I then arranged with A. B. Farwell for fourteen men, for which I paid him $7,000 in Lot M. Morrill's law office, in the presence of Lot M. Morrill and Orrin Williamson, and took A. B. Farwell's receipt for the same, which receipt is, I suppose, in the town trunk, and I will endeavor to furnish the same to be annexed to this deposition.

Q. Were you furnished, or have you ever been furnished, with a list of the names of these fourteen men?

A. I called at the Adjutant General's office and was furnished with fourteen names, but on examination of the list I found it contained the names of one Sawyer and one Waugh. Sawyer was a resident of our town who had gone to Massachusetts and enlisted in the navy, but had been claimed by our town and allowed. Waugh had run away and enlisted in the navy and was credited to Cape Elizabeth, but had been transferred by the Adjutant General to our town,

therefore I objected to the list as not the men bought of Farwell, and it was taken back and a new list made out, containing the names of fourteen men, all of which were, to me, strange names.

Q. Did Farwell say who the men were, or where they were, or how he had obtained the right to sell them?

A. I answered that at first. He said he had been to Washington and to the front and bought re-enlisted men, and paid high for them, and could not afford to sell them for less than $500 apiece. He said he had paid the men themselves.

Q. Did you understand from what Farwell said that he had advanced town bounties to these men, and had obtained from the men themselves the right to put them upon the quota of such towns as would refund the bounty paid, together with a profit to cover his services and expenses?

A. I understood that he had paid them money, and had acquired the right to sell them. I did not understand that we should be liable to the men for bounties, but that the sum paid Farwell included all that the men had claim to.

Q. Did you have any other interview with General Hodsdon at any other time, if yea, when, where, and what did he say?

A. I did. When I called to see if those men for which I had paid Farwell were all credited to Starks, the Adjutant General said "Now, Williamson, if you have got any more live men in your town, do, for God's sake, bring them down, and don't buy any more men of Farwell."

Q. Can you now furnish a list of the fourteen men?

A. Yes, sir; I have a copy of a list obtained from the Adjutant General's office by Mr. Levi Young of our town, at my request. I had called once or twice at the Adjutant General's office for a list before I was able to obtain it. The list is as follows: Charles Brannaum, William Barrett, Daniel Cranium, George H. Collins, Francis R. Desiley, Michael Dorrahan, Patrick Geary, John McMaster, Patrick Redan, Patrick Sullivan, Manuel Santas, Edward Wade, Edwin L. West, G. E. Welden.

Q. Are the persons named in this list residents of your town, or actual men, to your knowledge?

A. They were not residents of the town; I should have known them if they had been, as I have been in the habit of writing the names of the tax-payers and voters for some years. They are not actual men to my knowledge; I don't know whether they are or not.

Q. Were these fourteen men purchased of Farwell represented by him to be enlisted for three years, and did you afterwards have trouble in getting that length of service allowed on a subsequent quota?

A. Farwell represented them to be, and we bought them for three years' men. When the next call, which was the last one, was made, we found that these men were allowed for one year only, and I went to Farwell about it, and he said we ought to be allowed for three years, as they were all three years' men. I went to the Adjutant General's office, and was there informed that the list had been forwarded to the Provost Marshal and nothing could be done by the Adjutant General about it. Farwell seemed to be anxious that we should have allowance for three years for each of the men. During the progress of this matter I had to go to Maryland and was gone two or three weeks. When I came back

I met Mr. Farwell on the cars, and he told me that the matter would come out all right. I went to see Major Littler, and after much persistency on my part got him to say that he thought the matter so far as Starks was concerned would come out all right. I then went home, and in a few days I received notice that a clerical error in transferring the names from the Adjutant General's office to the Provost Marshal's office had been discovered, and that we had been allowed all of the fourteen men for three years each.

Q. Will you put at our disposal, to be made a part of your deposition, the original list procured by Young?

A. I will. HENRY WILLIAMSON.

Otis W. Fabyan of Wales, sworn and examined.

Q. Did you assist in filling the quotas of your town for the year 1864, and if so, in what capacity?

A. I did. I was chosen an agent to assist the selectmen in filling quotas, and acted in that capacity until the December call.

Q. Was the town of Wales refused reimbursement for any men, and if so, of whom were they obtained?

A. They were refused reimbursement for eleven men, three of them bought of Delany; the other eight I do not know about, as I had nothing to do with them. I did buy the three men of Delany.

Q. State the particulars of your negotiations with Delany for said men.

A. The negotiations were all made by Joel Small, the first selectman. Before I saw Delany, Small sent for me to come down because I was treasurer of a fund raised by the citizens of Wales liable to draft. I found Mr. Small at the Cushnoc House. We went to Delany's office and got a list of the names he proposed to put to our credit; he said three of them were navy men who went from the State of Maine, and two of them new recruits. I am not positive in regard to the length of time, whether for one or three years—shouldn't want to state as to that. We went from Mr. Delany's office to the Adujant General's office—went to see that it was all right. I asked the Adjutant General in regard to the men, and he took a list of names from a drawer near him and said that was a list given him by Mr. Delany. He wanted to know what we paid for these men. Squire Small made reply that we paid $400 each. The Adjutant General seemed very much enraged at the price paid, and made reply that he thought they were men of straw—to go home and rest easy and wait awhile. We couldn't accomplish anything with the Adjutant General. We went back to Mr. Delany's office and Squire Small stated to him in regard to the Adjutant General's being enraged about the price agreed to be paid. Mr. Delany said to Mr. Small, "I had rather have paid you a thousand dollars than have had you say what you did to the Adjutant General about the price." We went from there to the Provost Marshal's office in this city—office of the District Marshal. I went there to inquire if the three navy men were men I could rely upon. A clerk in the office said he thought I could, because a number of towns had put in men of that class and the Adjutant General had sent lists of them in. I went back to Mr. Delany's office. He told me the Adjutant General had written a line to Mr. Osgood, the expressman here,

stating that he (Delany) was selling those men for $400 each. Mr. Delany wanted to make a new agreement with me. I told him we expected to pay the amount agreed upon for those men if we couldn't obtain them for less. He said he should want that amount for them, but he wanted to make an agreement to furnish the five men for $80 each, making $400 for the five men. He said he wanted an agreement of that kind to set the Adjutant General at rest and make him believe the men were furnished for $80 each. I told him I had no objections what kind of agreement he wrote, all I wanted was the actual men, such as would be credited on the quota of our town. He drew up an agreement to that effect which I annex to this deposition, marked "A," and dated August 4, 1864, and gave it to me stating that Mr. Osgood would call for it and carry it to the Adjutant General. Mr. Osgood called for it the same day and brought it back, stating that he had made it all right with the Adjutant. The next day I called at the Adjutant General's office, and he said he would send the names to the Marshal's office in the second district. It ran along from that time until the 27th of Aug., or about that time, when Mr. Delany wrote to Squire Small, I think, stating that the names were sent in to the Provost Marshal's office, and he would meet me there the 29th of Aug. Instead of being there himself he sent by Mr. Davis—Frank, I think—an order to settle with *him* (Davis.) The order is hereunto annexed marked "B," together with attached receipt dated August 29th, for $1200, signed by "G. M. Delany & Co., by Davis." I found at the Provost Marshal's office three navy men credited to Wales, and also two actual men present, claiming to be citizens of our town; but being familiar with the inhabitants of the town, and they being strangers to me, I refused to pay for those two men. Believing the navy men were all right, I paid $1200. There was then a contention between Mr. Davis and myself in regard to the two men, he claiming that I should pay for them, and I refusing to do so because at that time men were credited to the towns of their residence, and these men I knew were not residents of Wales. I went from Auburn to Augusta and saw Mr. Delany; he said if I would pay the money over he would come under bonds that those men should stand to the credit of our town. I waited until the next day, and he failing to do so, I left my business with Sewall Lancaster, Esq., depositing $800 in the bank to be paid when it was properly ascertained that the men were credited to Wales. The Adjutant General issued an order in September or October, that where the men were credited at that time they should stand to the credit of towns. I came down and went to the Adjutant General's office and found that to be a fact, and that they still stood to the credit of the town, and paid over the money to Mr. Delany. I wish to add that when Mr. Osgood brought back the agreement ("A") to me, Delany said he would make me a present of $100 when the men were paid for. When I paid for them he gave me a receipt for $800 on receipt of $700, and I turned the remaining $100 to the soldiers' fund of the town.

Q. Were there a number of men in the marine corps put to the credit of Wales; if so, by whom were they procured?

A. There were eight men in the marine corps put to the credit of the town. They were procured by Harding L. Watts, formerly of Wales, but now of Monmouth.

OTIS W. FABYAN.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, July 13, 1870.

S. W. JACKSON, of Waldoboro', sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Waldoboro' in 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase men or credits to be allowed on the quotas of Waldoboro' for 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom, and when did you purchase the first lot of men; how many were there; what did you give for them?

A. My talk was with Joseph H. Manley, about the 17th day of September, 1864. Ten men for which I gave $5625, as appears by the receipt of said Manley, hereto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Have you any paper or certificate showing that said ten men were credited to the quota of Waldoboro'?

A. I have the statement of Adjutant General John L. Hodsdon, and it is connected with said receipt of J. H. Manley, marked "A."

Q. Were you furnished with the names of said ten men?

A. I was not.

Q. What, if anything, did said Manley or A. B. Farwell say as to who these men were, or where they were, or as to their authority to sell them?

A. They gave me to understand that they had that number of men under their control, and could place them to the credit of our town if we could agree in regard to the price.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Adjutant General of Maine, or of any of the military authorities as to these men before you made any trade for them, and if so, state what was said?

A. After learning that these folks had men, I went to General Hodsdon and asked him if they were all right, and would be allowed upon our quota? His reply was that he would rather see some of our good able-bodied, stalwart men come up from Waldoboro' than to take these; but that they would be allowed and count the same on our quota.

Q. Did you, about the 21st of Sept., 1864, purchase some men of Joseph H. Manley, if so, how many and what did you pay for them?

A. I did purchase some about that time—three men. I paid $1050, as per said Manley's receipt hereto annexed, marked "B," dated September 22, 1864, attached to certificate of W. H. Fogler, Capt. and Inspector, marked "C."

Q. Were you ever furnished with the names of these three men?

A. No, sir.

Q. What statements, if any, did said Manley make as to who these men were, or as to his authority to sell them?

A. I don't know that I recollect any distinct statements about them, other than as I have before said that they had the men under their control, and had

authority to have them credited. There was no intimation or allusion whatever but what they were live, actual men, already in the service or ready to go in.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of any of the military authorities of the State or of the United States as to these men, before you purchased them as above said? If so, state what was said.

A. I don't now recollect distinctly that I did make any inquiry in regard to these three men, as I supposed that whatever would apply to the first lot would apply to these. The bargain was made that they would furnish the men, and they were not to be paid until they produced a certificate from the proper authority that the men were credited to our town; and when those certificates were produced we paid them.

Q. Did you also purchase of said Manley two men on or about the 24th of September, 1864, and if so, what did you pay for them?

A. I did, and paid $800, as per Manley's receipt hereto annexed, marked "D."

Q. Did you at the same time also purchase two men of A. B. Farwell, and if so, what did you pay for them?

A. I think the whole arrangement was made with Mr. Manley, and he said that two of them belonged to Mr. Farwell, and gave separate receipts. The receipt of A. B. Farwell by J. H. Manley, for $1150, is hereto annexed, marked "E." I also have the certificate of W. H. Fogler, Capt. and Inspector to A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine, showing the credit of the four men bought of J. H. Manley and A. B. Farwell, which certificate is hereto annexed, marked "F."

Q. Have you ever had the names of these four men last purchased?

A. No, sir.

Q. Do you recollect of any statements which said Farwell or Manley made as to these men; if so, state what they were?

A. I have no recollection of anything different from what was said in reference to the others. I understood General Hodsdon's statements to apply to all of them.

Q. Did you, about the 27th of September, 1864, purchase certain men of A. B. Farwell; if so, how many, and what did you give for them?

A. I did, with Mr. M. M. Rawson, a citizen of Waldoboro', who came up to assist, purchase six men of Mr. Farwell for which we paid $3600, and have his receipt for that sum and also the certificate of the aforesaid Fogler, which certificate and receipt is hereto annexed, marked "G" and "H," respectively.

Q. Have you ever had the names of these six men?

A. No.

Q. Did said Farwell make any statements which you recollect as to these men?

A. I don't now remember that he did.

Q. Did you, about December 22, 1864, purchase sundry men of Colby & Pike, and if so, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. Previous to that time I made the arrangement, principally with Mr. Pike,

to furnish us twenty three years' men at $300 each; and about the 22d of December he furnished us with the certificate of Jos. T. Woodward that they were credited to our town, which certificate is hereto annexed, marked "I," and I paid him $5600, and they gave me their receipt for $6000—which was too much by $400, from the fact that eight of the men were not three years' men—and I paid him fifty dollars less on each of the eight men for that reason—which receipt for $6000 is hereto annexed, marked "J."

Q. Have you obtained the names of these twenty men?

A. Yes, I have the names of them. They are as per the annexed list marked "K." I took this list from some record myself, but I don't recollect what record; I think it came from the Provost Marshal's office.

Q. What statements, if any, did Pike & Colby make to you about these men as to who they were, or where they were, or as to their authority to sell them?

A. Pike stated to me that he was going to have the men to fill the quota, but was going to Washington to see about them, and wished that I might wait till he returned. I arranged with him accordingly, and did wait until he returned and notified me of his return, and that he had put the men in on our quota. I required of him the names of the men, and he either gave them to me or referred me to the record for them—I think to the Provost Marshal's office, where said list marked "K" was taken.

Q. Did you make any inquiries of the State or United States military authorities as to these twenty men before you purchased them, and if so, what was said about them?

A. Well, I have no recollection that I did. I didn't consider the trade completed until said certificate was produced, and when that was produced I supposed it was sufficient authority. In none of these cases that I have stated about to-day, did I make any arrangements to pay until proper certificates or evidence was shown me that the men had been received and allowed on our quota.

Q. Did the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts disallow the town of Waldoboro' reimbursement for the forty-three men whom you obtained as above said?

A. They did disallow them.

Q. State, if you know, on what grounds or for what reason they were disallowed?

A. The reason they gave me was, that they could not allow any credits if they didn't find the names of the men in service, and they gave me to understand that they did not find these.

S. W. JACKSON.

JAMES MCCARTY of Westport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Westport for the year 1864?

A. I was, sir.

Q. In that capacity did you purchase six men of George M. Delany of Augusta, to fill the quota of your town under the call of July 18, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. State what the contract was which you made with Delany.

A. We paid him for the men and he wrote us that they were credited to the town, and sent me a receipt dated June 29, 1864, containing the names of six men, signed by Geo. M. Delany, hereto annexed marked "A."

Q. At the time you bargained for these men did you or not know that they were already in the naval service of the United States?

A. I did not know it. I supposed that he was going to enlist them into the navy.

Q. Was it represented that the sum of money you were to pay Delany had been or was to be advanced as bounties to the men?

A. It was.

Q. Did Delany say how much bounty he had paid or was to pay to the men?

A. He did not.

Q. What evidence was furnished you that these six men were put upon the quota of your town?

A. We had no evidence except that he wrote us that they had been credited to our town.

Q. Do you know that the six men were not afterwards called for by draft on some subsequent call?

A. I do not know.

Q. Are the names in the annexed receipt names of persons known to you as residents of your town?

A. No, sir; none of them.

Q. Did you make a return to the military authorities of Augusta claiming said six men as residents and liable to enrolment in your town?

A. I did not.

Q. Look at this return of persons resident or liable to enrolment in the town of Westport, in service in the United States navy, and state whether or not you signed the same. The return is dated June 16, 1864.

A. (Witness looks.) I did not.

Q. Do you think the signature of Mr. Tarbox to said paper is a genuine signature?

A. I do.

Q. Is or not your name on said paper in the handwriting of Mr. Tarbox?

A. I think it is.

Q. Did you or not authorize Mr. Tarbox to put your name officially to that return?

A. I don't know that I did.

Q. Would you or not have certified to the fact set forth in said paper.

A. After we had purchased the men and they had been assigned to our town, I don't know but that I should.

Q. Was your town's claim for the six men named in said Delany's receipt disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I believe it was.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Who first brought to your notice this return certificate, dated June 16, 1864?

A. It was first handed to me here to-day. I never saw it before to-day.

Q. State, if you know, in whose handwriting the filling up of said return is.

A. It is in the handwriting of Samuel Tarbox, one of the selectmen of Westport at that time.

JAMES McCARTY.

HARDING L. WATTS of Monmouth, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Whether or not in 1864–5 you were a citizen of the town of Wales?

A. I was. I moved from Wales in June, 1865.

Q. In the winter of 1864–5, did you or not procure eight men or credits for eight men to go upon the quota of the town of Wales?

A. I procured some men, I don't know how many, of a Mr. North of this city, in the winter of 1865.

Q. State particularly the negotiations you had, and the trade you made for the men.

A. Well, I came here to procure some men. I saw one of Mr. Delany's partners—Mr. Davis—and got the refusal of some men for such a price. I then went and saw Mr. North—a young Mr. North—and I got his offer to furnish so many men for the town at a stipulated price—I wouldn't say what it was. I then went home and caused to be or called a town meeting, and laid the offers of the two parties before the town. The town voted to take the men of Mr. Delany at Mr. Davis' offer. I came here to Augusta, and went and saw Mr. Delany, Mr. Davis being absent. Mr. Delany refused to furnish the men unless I had the money in my pocket to pay him that minute. It was understood with Mr. Davis, when I made the bargain, that we should have sufficient time to pay for them. I then went to find Mr. North, but could not find him —went to his father's house. I told his father that I should depend on those men that his son had offered to furnish the town of Wales. The next morning I went and saw his son at his office. He said I could have the men as we talked. He furnished the men and I have not a doubt that I took a voucher from the Adjutant General showing so many men credited to the town. He did not say who the men were or where he got them, or how he acquired the right to sell them.

Q. Did you suppose that you were purchasing actual men, enlisted or to be enlisted in this State?

A. Yes, sir. There was no such thing as paper men talked about at that time with us.

Q. Did you ever see the men you paid North for, or their names upon any list, roll or record?

A. I have no recollection of ever seeing their names, but I might. I am certain that I never saw the men to know that they were the men.

Q. What did you pay for these men, and what evidence did you take of the payment of the money?

A. Well, sir, I couldn't say exactly what I paid; but I think it was between

two and three hundred dollars apiece. I am certain that I paid him for them, and have no doubt that I took a receipt for the money; and I presume that the paper is among the town papers of Wales.

HARDING L. WATTS.

ARTELL HALL of Newcastle, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Jefferson in 1864?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase certain men to be credited on the quota of Jefferson under the call of July, 1864?

A. I did, sir.

Q. How many did you purchase, of whom did you purchase them, and what did you give for them?

A. I purchased twelve of Delany & Yates, and gave $4600 for the twelve, as per the annexed receipt marked "A," dated September 19, 1864, and signed by Geo. M. Delany and O. K. Yates.

Q. Did they furnish you with the names of said twelve men?

A. I am not certain about that, whether I ever saw their names or not. I went with Delany to the Provost Marshal's office and the commissioner showed me that twenty men were allowed on our quota. I wanted to know that we were credited with the men that we bought of Delany, and to satisfy me he went with me to the Provost Marshal's office, and the commissioner did satisfy me that we were credited with them and that our quota was reduced.

Q. Did you see on the books of the Provost Marshal the names of these twelve men that you paid for, as per said receipt?

A. I did not. I never saw any names at the Provost Marshal's. I took the word of the commissioner. He showed me by the book that they were allowed.

Q. What did Delany & Yates or either of them say to you about these men, who they were, or where they were, or how they obtained them?

A. Delany said that they were men that he had got—I think he said of Heath of Portland—that they were men that had enlisted in the naval service of the United States, and he was selling them out to the towns.

Q. Did he say by what authority he was selling them out to the towns, and if so, what?

A. I don't recollect that he said anything about his authority.

Q. Did you, before paying for these men, inquire of the State or United States military authorities about the validity of the purchase of these men, and as to whether it was right or not?

A. I don't recollect that I did, any further than as I have before stated.

Q. Did Delany or Yates state to you whether these men were citizens of and residents in the United States?

A. I don't recollect that they did.

Q. Did they say to you that they were men liable to enrolment in Jefferson, or were in the United States naval service as seamen from Jefferson?

A. I don't recollect that they did say anything of the kind.

Q. Did you believe that you were purchasing living men to go into the service of the United States on the quota of Jefferson?

A. No; for I believed that they had already enlisted as above stated.

Q. Did you at the time of this purchase, or at any other time, at the request of Delany and Yates, as one of the selectmen of Jefferson, sign a return or certificate that said twelve men or any of them were liable to enrolment and military duty in Jefferson, and were in the naval service as enlisted seamen from Jefferson?

A. I think I did. I am not sure however. I signed some papers, I don't know what they were. I signed the return now shown to me, that ten men were resident or liable to military duty in Jefferson and enlisted seamen in service from Jefferson, and I think I signed the names of Jas. W. Jackson and H. P. Carleton by their permission or authority.

Q. Was said return filled up as you now see it, or was it in blank when you signed it?

A. I think it was filled up.

Q. Who presented you with that return for your signature, and when was it?

A. Delany, I think; and I suppose it was August 17, 1864, as appears by the date of the return.

Q. What did he say to you when he presented it, according to your best recollection?

A. I think he said that 'twas the way that he was managing with all the towns that he was selling those men to.

Q. Did you object or hesitate to sign a certificate to facts as true, which you knew personally were untrue?

A. I did. I didn't sign it at first, and went home and went—I think it was to Mr. Huston of Damariscotta, and some others, and I found out that that was the way they were doing it, and then I did it.

Q. Did Delany & Yates allow you any commission by way of discount on these men?

A. No, sir.

ARTELL HALL.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, July 16, 1870.

SULLIVAN KILBRETH of Manchester, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Manchester in 1864, and as such did you purchase men to be credited on the quota of the town for July 1864?

A. I was, sir; and did so purchase men.

Q. Of whom did you purchase men, how many did you purchase, and what did you give for them?

A. I purchased seven men of Geo. M. Delany, for which I paid him $2100, as per receipt dated August 15, 1864, containing their names, hereto annexed marked "A."

Q. Did you receive a certificate of the Provost Marshal of this district that said men were allowed on the quota of your town?

A. I was confident that I did, but I can't find it among our papers.

Q. Did you inquire of the Adjutant General of this State, or of any of the United States military authorities, about the purchase of these men being right or not, and if so, what was said?

A. I did, of Gen. Hodsdon, and Provost Marshal A. P. Davis of this district. After I contracted for these men, and before I paid for them, I got the names from Delany and went with them to Gen. Hodsdon and asked him if they had been credited to any other town, and he looked at his books and told me that they had not; I then asked him if it was all right to buy them, and he told me he presumed it was. I made the same inquiry of said Davis, and he said that they had not been credited to any other town, and he entered them to the credit of our town.

Q. What did Delany state to you about these men, where he obtained them, and of his authority to sell them?

A. Well, I understood him to say that he got them in the British Provinces. He said he got the men and put them into the navy, and was going to sell them out to the towns that wanted them. He said they were aliens.

Q. Were the men named in said receipt, or either of them, then or at any time, to your knowledge, resident or liable to enrolment in Manchester?

A. They were not.

Q. Was the town of Manchester disallowed reimbursement for said men by the Commission on Equalizing War Debts?

A. I have understoood that they were.

Q. Did you to your recollection, as one one of the selectmen of Manchester, sign a return or certificate that said men were residents or liable to enrolment in Manchester and were in the naval service of the United States as enlisted seamen from Manchester?

A. I did.

Q. Who presented you with said return and certificate for you to sign?

A. I don't know, but I found the blank in the office of the selectmen of

Manchester. The question came up about these men being residents in Manchester, and the chairman of the board said that he had made some inquiry of people who ought to know about the matter, and they said that inasmuch as these men were aliens they became residents of our town for military purposes when they were allowed on our quota, and with that understanding we signed it. The names of the men in said return are J. Benson, J. Bennett, J. Carry, Hugh Dunford, M. B. Daily, Peter Fallon, T. J. Lenard.

SULLIVAN KILBRETH.

JAMES SHEARMAN of Sidney, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Sidney in 1864?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase men to be credited on the quota of Sidney for the quota of July, 1864, and if so, of whom, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. I did, of A. B. Farwell, seventeen I think, and we agreed to pay him $250 apiece, but when he brought in his bill he said they cost him $10 more per man. He said he had been to Washington twice, I think, yet it would be optional with us whether we paid it or not. We paid him $260 apiece, as appears by his bill receipted, dated September 17, 1864, hereto annexed marked "A."

Q. Did he, Farwell, or any one else, furnish you with the names of said men?

A. Yes, he did.

Q. Did you have any certificate showing that said men were allowed on your quota, and if so, whose was it?

A. I think we did, and it was from the State House here.

Q. Who procured said certificate for you?

A. I think it was Farwell.

Q. Did Farwell make any statements to you about these men, who they were, where he obtained them, and his authority for disposing of them, and if so, what were his statements?

A. He did. He told us that they were men that had been in the army and were discharged, and lurking about Washington, and they were better men than we could get here. During the conversation Lot M. Morrill sat by the table and says, "Farwell, where are you going to get these men—Are you going up to the front to get them?" And he said No, he was going to get them at Washington. He said he had an agent there to procure them.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Adjutant General of this State or of the Provost Marshal of this District about these men and Farwell's authority to sell them to be allowed on your quota?

A. No, I did not.

Q. Were any of said men to your knowledge at any time residents in Sidney?

A. No.

Q. Did you, to your recollection, sign as selectman of Sidney, at any time a return and certificate that said men were residents or liable to enrolment in Sidney, and that they were enlisted seamen in the naval service of the United States from Sidney?

A. I did not, to my recollection. I am quite positive of it.

Q. Was the town of Sidney disallowed reimbursement for said men by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I understood it was.

Q. Did you, in said capacity, purchase other men to be allowed on your quota for 1864, and if so, of whom, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. I did, of Colby & Pike, purchase ten men for $450 apiece, as appears by receipt signed by Colby & Pike, dated January 14, 1865, hereto annexed, marked "B."

Q. Were you furnished with a certificate that said ten men, naming them, had been credited to your town, and if so, whose certificate was it?

A. I think we were; and I think the certificate hereunto annexed marked "C," dated January 12, 1865, signed by Jos. T. Woodward, and approved by A. P. Davis, Capt. and Provost Marshal, is that certificate.

Q. What did Pike & Colby, or either of them, state about these men—who they were, and how they obtained them?

A. I don't think they made any statements about them.

Q. Did any of said ten men at any time reside in Sidney, to your recollection?

A. No.

JAMES SHEARMAN.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, July 20, 1870.

ISAAC H. COFFIN of Wiscasset, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Wiscasset for the year 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase men to be allowed on the quota of Wiscasset for 1864, for which reimbursement was disallowed; and if so, how many, of whom, and what did you pay for them?

A. I did, sixteen of G. M. Delany & Co. and seven of I. W. Reed. I paid Delany & Co. $1900, as per receipt hereto annexed marked "A," dated Sept. 1, 1864. I agreed to pay Reed $100 apiece, and did pay him in person $300, as per his receipt hereto annexed, marked "B," dated Sept. 17, 1864, and I paid the balance, $400, to J. P. Heath at Portland, on Reed's order.

Q. State, if you recollect, what representations Delany & Co. made to you about these sixteen men, who they were, where they were, and their authority to dispose of them?

A. Well, I don't recollect that they made any statements about them.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal of this District, or of the Adjutant General, about these men, and whether they were actual men to go into the service of the United States, and be credited to the quota of Wiscasset; and if so, what was said?

A. I did. I went to the Provost Marshal or the Adjutant General with the names of the sixteen men, and asked if they would be allowed on our quota; and the answer was, that they would be or were allowed.

Q. Were you furnished with the names of said sixteen men, and if so, please specify their names?

A. I was, and their names are as follows: S. B. Norton, W. Powers, Chas. Williams, W. Pike, Frank Salvador, Robert W. Thompson, S. N. Bridgham, Michael Connelley, George Lawson, John Reed, Thomas J. Smith, R. B. Harlow, Charles White, C. F. Greene, John Thomas, C. Thompson.

Q. Who furnished you with said names?

A. Delany & Co.

Q. Did said Reed, to your recollection, state who said seven men were, where they were, or how he obtained them, or what authority he had to sell them to you?

A. I do not recollect that he made any statements about them.

Q. Did you ask the Provost Marshal of this District, or the Adjutant General, whether said seven men were real men to be allowed on the quota of your town and to go into the service of the United States, and if so, what was said?

A. I inquired of the Provost Marshal, or of the Adjutant General, whether they would be allowed on the quota of Wiscasset, and was informed that they would go on the quota, or had been placed on the quota of our town.

Q. Were you furnished with the names of said seven men, and if so, please mention them?

A. I was, and their names were as follows: William Hannigan, John McCarthy, Philip Manning, James H. Knox, James Sprowl, Davis Smith and John J. Smith.

Q. Who furnished you with said names?

A. I. W. Reed.

Q. Were they at that time, or before, residents of Wiscasset to your knowledge?

A. They were not.

Q. Were said sixteen men at that time, or before, residents in Wiscasset to your knowledge?

A. I think not.

Q. Did you, at any time, as one of the selectmen of Wiscasset, sign a return certifying that they were resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in Wiscasset, and were in the service in the United States navy as enlisted seamen from Wiscasset?

A. I did; and Elisha McKenny and Silas Porter, the two other selectmen, signed it with me.

Q. Why did you sign a return, certifying as above said, when you knew that the return was untrue?

A. Well, sir, I can't swear that I knew it was untrue at that time, because I understood that they were not resident or liable to enrolment anywhere, and

that towns could claim such men for their quotas by making certified returns, like that which we signed, to the Adjutant General's office. I supposed the authorities at head quarters would not receive such papers unless it was all right.

Q. Did you ever sign a return certifying that said seven men were resident in Wiscasset, and in the service of the United States navy as enlisted seamen from Wiscasset?

A. I did, with the other two selectmen above named.

Q. Did you sign said return for the reasons above given for your signing the return as to said sixteen men?

A. I did.

Q. Did you, in the purchase of all of said men, act in good faith, believing that you were getting real men to fill quotas of your town?

A. I did.

Q. Have you been furnished with a certificate from the Provost Marshal, or any United States officer, that the men above named were mustered into the service of the United States, and allowed on the quotas of Wiscasset?

A. I think I was, but I cannot find it.

Q. Have you, at any time, inspected the books of the Provost Marshal of this District and seen the names of said men thereon allowed or credited on your quotas?

A. I think I have, sir, to my best recollection.

ISAAC H. COFFIN.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, July 21, 1870.

ALBERT MOORE of Anson, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Anson in the year 1864?

A. Yes, I was.

Q. As such did you purchase men to be allowed on the quota of Anson under the call of July, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. How many and of whom did you purchase them, and what did you give for them?

A. I bought thirteen men of Delaney & Co., and paid them $7700, as per receipt hereto annexed marked "A," dated October 12, 1864.

Q. Do you, of your own knowledge, know that said men were credited to Anson on the books of the Provost Marshal of this district?

A. I do. I was very particular to have it done before I paid for them, and I saw them entered on his book.

Q. State what representations, if any, Delany & Co. made to you about these men.

A. None that I recollect of.

Q. Did they state that they had paid bounties to these men?

A. They did, but did not say how much.

Q. Did they say where or how they obtained these men?

A. I think not.

Q. Did they say they were aliens, or citizens of this conntry?

A. Well, I do not recollect that they said anything about that.

Q. State what, if anything, they said about their authority to sell these men.

A. I don't think they said anything about it.

Q. Was the town of Anson refused reimbursement for a portion of these men, and if so, how many?

A. It was refused reimbursement for ten of them.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal of this district, or of the Adjutant General, as to the right of Delany & Co. to sell these men, or whether they were actual, living men or not?

A. I have no recollection of doing so.

Q. Did you see any or all of these men?

A. I did. I saw them all.

Q. Did you also purchase other men to be allowed on the quota of Anson under call of December 19, 1864, and if so, how many, of whom, and what did you pay them?

A. I did so purchase six men of Pike & Colby for $2700, as per receipt hereto annexed marked "B," dated January 12, 1865.

Q. Did you have any certificate showing that these six men were credited to the town of Anson, and if so, whose certificate?

A. I had the certificate of Joseph T. Woodward, which I annex hereto marked "C," dated January 12, 1865, containing their names.

Q. Did Pike & Colby make any declarations to you about these six men as to who they were, where they were, and their authority to dispose of them?

A. They did state to me that they had men that they were authorized to assign to towns. I do not recollect that they said who they were or where they were.

Q. Did they state how they obtained their authority?

A. I don't remember that they did.

Q. Did they state that they had paid bounties to these men?

A. I think they did, but I don't remember the amount.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal or the Adjutant General who these men were, or how they were obtained, or whether they were actual men to go into the service of the United States?

A. I did not make those precise inquiries, but I did go to those officers and asked them whether they would recognize such men and would recommend me to purchase them, and they both said they would.

Q. Was Anson refused reimbursement for these men?

A. It was.

ALBERT MOORE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, July 22, 1870.

COLBY C. CORNISH of Winslow, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Winslow in 1864–5, and as such did you procure men for the quota of the town under call of December, 1864?

A. I was, and did so procure men.

Q. State particularly the steps which you took to fill the quota under that call.

A. In the first place we called a town meeting. The meeting was held on the 3d of January, 1865, I think. At that meeting they voted to choose a committee to fill the quota, and that the selectmen should be that committee, and that they should fill the quota by enlistment or otherwise, at a cost not to exceed $600 per man. After the meeting Mr. Hutchinson, who was one of the selectmen, wanted me to come down here to Augusta. We had had notices from the brokers of various places that they had what they called "quota men" to dispose of. I came down here and called on the various brokers here—Hill & Deering, Delany & Co., Brown and others. I found the price uniform among the brokers. They all asked $475, and all had what they called "quota men." I tried to find out from the brokers themselves how they obtained these men, but was unable to find out. I then went on to the street and met Daniel T. Pike and told him my business,—that I was after men to fill our quota, and asked him if he could assist me, or could tell me where I could obtain them; and he said "yes, I am the very man." I asked him if he was the man who sold them to the brokers, and he said he was—that they all come through him. He then invited me into his office, and there I found Mr. Colby, whom I had seen before, but did not know till then that he was in the broker business. I asked them who these men were, and Mr. Colby said they were men already enlisted into the naval service and were not assigned to any town; that they had obtained them through agents down South, and the agents had been on board of vessels and seen the men and got their assent to be quotaed where the agent pleased, and then went with these names to the Secretary of War and got them assigned to the State of Maine, and then they (Pike & Colby) had the right to sell them to any town that they pleased. I asked what the head quarters were here, or where the record of them was kept, and Pike said at the Adjutant General's office. He said the names would be sent from there to Maj. Littler's office, and from there to the District Provost Marshal's office. I went to the Adjutant General, I am very positive, and to Maj. Littler's, and to the District Provost Marshal, and made inquiries about these men to know if they were good and would pass on our quota, and they all said they would. Then I went back to Pike & Colby, and they asked that day $460 for the men. Then I went home without closing the trade and saw Mr. Hutchinson at my store that evening and told him all about my talk while here at Augusta, and

he advised me to come back and close a trade for twelve of the men. I came back the next day and closed a trade with Pike & Colby for twelve of them at $440 apiece. Mr. Colby says to me: "It will take some little time for these names to go from the Adjutant General's office to Maj. Littler's office and then to the Provost Marshal's, as I explained to you they would have to do, and we want four or five days;" and I was to come down at the expiration of the time. I did come down at the appointed time and saw a certificate in the hand of Mr. Pike, signed by Gen. Hodsdon, containing a list of twelve men. Mr. Pike took the certificate and said he was going to Maj. Littler's office and the Provost Marshal's office, and went out and was gone an hour or an hour and a half and came back with the certificate of Joseph T. Woodward, which is hereto annexed marked "A," dated January 10, 1865. I recognize some of the names on this certificate as being the same that were on the certificate signed by Gen. Hodsdon. The other names I don't remember about. On receiving Woodward's certificate I paid Pike the money, and took the receipt hereto annexed marked "B," dated January 10, 1865, and signed "Pike & Colby."

Q. Do you understand that your town's claim for reimbursement for these men was disallowed by the Commission for Equalizing War Debts?

A. I do so understand.

Q. Are the persons named in said certificate known to you, and were they ever residents of Winslow?

A. They are not, and never were residents of Winslow to my knowledge.

Q. Were any other naval men offered to you previously to these twelve men, and if so, state all the particulars relative to the offer.

A. In June or July previous to my buying the men of Pike & Colby, I saw a stranger at the Franklin House in this city, who offered me any number of naval men that I wanted at $100 apiece, to go on the quota of Winslow. I asked him what I should have to do to get them, and he said we should have to have them enrolled, and we should have to claim them as residents of our town and return them as such to the Adjutant's General's office; and I said, "what, under oath? then I will have nothing to do with them." I wouldn't perjure myself for the sake of having a few men for the town of Winslow. I was under the impression that the return to the Adjutant General was to be under oath.

COLBY C. CORNISH.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, July 25, 1870.

WILLIAM S. PRINCE of Cumberland, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR.

Q. Did you act as agent of the town of Cumberland to fill any of its quotas for the year 1864?

A. I did, associated with several others, to fill its quota under call of July 18, 1864.

Q. Did you purchase any naval credits to be allowed on the quota of your town under said call, and if so, of whom, how many, and at what price per man?

A. I did, of John P. Heath, purchase twelve men for $1,500—six of them for $100 each, and the other six for $150 each.

Q. Did you buy them all at the same time, or at different times?

A. At two different times.

Q. Can you present papers to prove that said men were allowed on the quota of your town?

A. I have not the papers, but I know they were counted on the quota, because I called on the Provost Marshal, Capt. Doughty, and was informed that they were allowed.

Q. Did the Provost Marshal furnish you or the town a certificate to the effect that they were so allowed or credited?

A. To the best of my recollection he did.

Q. Did you, before coming here, call upon the officers of the town for receipts and certificates relating to these men; and if so, what information did you receive?

A. I did, and was informed by the selectmen that they could not find any papers relative to the matter; but since I came to this city I have called upon General Hodsdon and ascertained that he has in his possession papers relative to filling quotas of our town, which papers he refuses to deliver until his claim for services in prosecuting the town's claim for reimbursement before the Commissioner on Equalization of Municipal War Debts is settled.

Q. What did you understand the nature of the naval credits which you purchased of Heath to be?

A. I understood that they were not residents of the State, that they were foreigners, that they came from the Provinces and Canada, some of them from New Hampshire; and he showed me receipts from the Receiving Ship Ohio. I understood from these receipts that they were men who were already enlisted.

Q. Did you endeavor to ascertain whether these men, already enlisted, had not also been assigned to the credit of some town?

A. I did; I inquired of Mr. Heath, and he showed me a list of men that he said were not assigned to any town, and I was to have these men out of them.

Q. What, if any, proof did you require of Mr. Heath that the men had been credited to your town, before paying for them?

A. Proof from the Provost Marshal's office. Mr. Heath wanted his pay several times, and I told him I should not pay for them until they were credited. I ascertained from the Provost Marshal that they were credited to the town before paying.

Q. Did Heath require you or your selectmen to sign any papers in relation to these men?

A. I think he told me that it would be necessary for the selectmen to sign a paper; and he, I think, delivered to Robert Dyer, the chairman of the selectmen, a paper for him to sign.

Q. What did Heath state as to the character of said paper, and the purpose for which it was to be used?

A. I have no recollection of any statement that he made to me about it.

WM. S. PRINCE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, July 29, 1870.

A. H. CLARK of Pittston, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Pittston in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase men to be credited on the quotas of Pittston under the call of July 18, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom did you purchase them, how many, and what sum did you pay for them?

A. I purchased seven men of Thomas M. Stevens, then of Pittston, and gave him $1100 for them. I do not now know where said Stevens is.

Q. What statements did Stevens make to you about these men, as to how he procured them, and where they were?

A. He stated that he had recruited these men in Portland for the navy.

Q. Did he give or show you a list of their names; and if so, do you recollect them?

A. I think he showed me a list of their names, but I do not recollect them.

Q. Did he give or show you any certificate of the Provost Marshal of this District, that these men had been credited on the quota of Pittston?

A. I think he did, sir.

Q. Did he give you a receipt for the money you paid?

A. He did.

Q. Have you that certificate and receipt now in your possession, and if not, why not?

A. I have not. They were among my papers in my trunk in my store which was broken open by burglars in October, 1867, and they were taken or destroyed.

Q. Did you also purchase men to be credited on the quota of Pittston under the call of December, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. I purchased five men of G. P. Cochrane, and paid him $2250 for them.

Q. What statements, if any, did he make about these men, as to who they were and where they were, and his authority to sell them?

A. He did not make any statements about them.

Q. Did he give you a certificate of the Provost Marshal of this District that these men were allowed on the quota of Pittston?

A. He showed me such a certificate, but I am not certain that he gave it to me.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal or of Adjutant General Hodsdon about Cochrane's authority to dispose of these men to go on your quota?

A. I think I did not.

Q. Did you believe that these men were actual men, going into the service of the United States on your quota?

A. I did, most certainly.

Q. Do you now recollect the names of these men, purchased of Stevens and Cochrane, or any of them?

A. I do not.

Q. Do you know that reimbursement to Pittston for said men was disallowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. Of my own knowledge, I do not know; but the clerk of that commission has informed [me] that it was disallowed.

Q. Did you, as one of the selectmen of Pittston, sign the paper here shown you, dated August 6, 1864, and being a return and certificate that the persons named therein were resident and liable to enrolment and military duty in Pittston, and that they were enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from Pittston?

A. I did; and A. V. Goodwin and Asbury Young, selectmen of Pittston, signed the same.

Q. Read over the names in said return, and state if any of them, to your knowledge, were then residents of Pittston?

A. I have read them, and I don't think any of them were then residents of Pittston.

Q. State why you certified that they were residents, as above said, when you knew that they were not?

A. The only reason was, that we supposed that they could put them on to our quota; and if they could put them on to the quota of our town, they would be regarded as residents of our town.

Q. State, if you recollect, who furnished you with said return, and when you signed it?

A. The returns came from the Adjutant General, I think. I signed it at Pittston.

Q. Were the names which you now see specified in it, written therein when it was sent and signed as above said?

A. They were not in it when it was sent. I wrote them myself, and then we signed it.

Q. State as near as you can, when you purchased said five men of G. P. Cochrane.

A. I think, as near as I can recollect, that it was the last of January or first of February, 1865.

Q. State also when you purchased said seven men of Thomas M. Stevens?

A. It must have been, I think, in the month of August, 1864.

Q. Did you personally deliver said return to Adjutant General Hodsdon?

A. I did.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of him as to the propriety of your signing it because the men named in it were not residents of Pittston at that time or before to your knowledge?

A. I think I did.

Q. Did you state to him that they were not then nor before residents in Pittston?

A. I think I did.

Q. State, if you recollect, what he said to you about the propriety of your signing it?

A. I think he said there was no impropriety in signing it.

Q. Look at this paper which is certified by Adjutant General Hodsdon to be a true copy of original return, and which bears upon it this certificate, to wit: "The persons, whose names appear on this list, are shown upon the enrolment lists of enrolled persons in the town of Pittston, Sub. Dist. No.——, 3 Cong. Dist. of Maine," and signed "A. P. Davis, Capt. and Pro. Mar. 3d Cong. Dist.," and state what names therein, if any, you recognize as being the same with those mentioned in said return signed by you and the other selectmen of Pittston?

A. I recognize the names of William L. Hodsdon, Joseph W. Cushman, Charles Turner, Charles Vanshdick, George Roman, J. R. Briggs and Anthony Farring as being the same.

A. H. CLARK.

C. A. WING of Winthrop, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Did you, acting in behalf of the citizens of Winthrop, purchase men to be allowed on the quota of Winthrop under the call of July, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom did you purchase them, how many did you purchase, and what did you pay for them?

A. Of Col. A. B. Farwell I purchased eleven men, and paid him $5500 for them, as per receipts marked "A," "B" and "C," hereto annexed, dated September 8, 1864, September 15, 1864 and September 16, 1864, respectively.

Q. Had you any certificate of the Adjutant General of this State, or the

Provost Marshal of this district, showing that these men had been duly credited on the quota of Winthrop?

A. I had such certificates from the Adjutant General, and they are hereto annexed marked and dated as above said, being on the same sheets.

What statements, if any, did said Farwell make to you about these men as to who they were, where they were, or his authority to sell them?

A. None whatever.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Adjutant General as to said Farwell's authority to sell these men?

A. I did not, sir.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal of this district as to his authority?

A. I did not, sir.

Q. Did you buy them relying uopn the said certificates of the Adj. General?

A. I did.

Q. Did said Farwell obtain said certificates of the Adjutant General and bring them to you?

A. He brought them to me.

Q. Do you understand that the Commissioners on Equalization of War Debts refused reimbursement to Winthrop for these men?

A. I do.

Q. Did you also purchase men of J. H. Manley to go on that quota, and if so, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. I paid said Manley for men contracted for by a committee of citizens of Winthrop, consisting of G. A. Benson and Eben Marrow, and another man whose name I have forgotten. I paid him for three men $1500, as per receipt hereto annexed marked "D," dated September 15, 1864.

Q. Did you have the certificate of General Hodsdon that these men had been duly credited on the quota of Winthrop?

A. I did, and it is hereto annexed on the same sheet with said receipt, marked "D."

Q. Did you pay said Manley for any other men, and if so, how many, and what did you give him?

A. According to my best recollection I paid him $1600 for four other men.

Q. Did you have the certificate of Gen. Hodsdon that said four men were duly credited on the quota of Winthrop, and the receipt of said Manley for the money?

A. I am very positive that I did, but I have not got them here. I think they are among the papers of Winthrop, and I will look for them, and if I find them I will forward them to this Commission to be annexed to my deposition.

(Annexed August 3, 1870—receipt and certificate attached and both marked "E.")

Q. Did said Manley make any statements to you about these men as to who they were, where they were, or his authority to sell them?

A. He did not.

Q. Did you rely upon said certificates of the Adjutant General in the purchase of these men of Manley?

A. I did.

Q. Are said Benson and Marrow now living?

A. They are not.

Q. Did the town of Winthrop subsequently ratify the doings of the citizens in the purchase of all of said men, and pay for them?

A. It did.

C. A. WING.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, July 30, 1870.

MOSES S. MOULTON of Porter, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of a committee of three of the town of Porter to obtain men to fill the quota of that town under the call of July, 1864?

A. I was.

Q. As such did you purchase men, and if so, how many, of whom, and what did you pay for them?

A. We did purchase fourteen of Yates & Delany, for $400 each.

Q. Did you have a certificate of the Provost Marshal of the 2d District, that said men had been allowed on the quota of Porter under that call?

A. We did.

Q. Did you have the receipt of Yates & Delany for the money so paid?

A. We did.

Q. What has become of said certificate and receipt?

A. They were destroyed by fire.

Q. What statements, if any, did Yates & Delany make about these men and their authority to sell them?

A. As near as I can recollect, they said that these were men that were in the naval service, and by permission of the authorities they had obtained the right to sell them; that they had not been credited to any town. They said they paid for them nearly as much as we gave them.

Q. Were said men then, or had they been before, residents or liable to enrolment and military duty in Porter?

A. They were not residents of our town or liable to military duty there.

Q. Look at this return, dated August 18, 1864—that the men mentioned therein were resident or liable to military duty in Porter, and were enlisted seamen in service of the United States from said Porter—(witness looks) and state if the names of the signers thereto as selectmen of Porter, are their genuine signatures?

A. They are.

Q. State if you recognize the names in said return, in part or all, as the names of the persons purchased of Yates & Delany.

A. I do not.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of said Provost Marshal, as to the authority of Yates & Delany to sell these men?

A. I do not recollect that we did. I recollect of asking if they would be allowed on our quota, and the answer was that they would be.

Q. Did the Commissioners on Equilization of War Debts allow reimbursement for these men to Porter; and if not, state, if you know, why not?

A. They did not. We employed General Hodsdon as our attorney, to present our claim for reimbursement before said commissioners, and he advised us not to present a claim for these men because he said they had decided not to allow such claims.

Q. Please state the names of your colleagues on said committee.

A. Randall Libby, 2d and George W. Towle. Mr. Libby acted with me in the purchase of said men.

Q. Did you consult General Hodsdon about the authority of Yates & Delany to sell said men; and whether they would be allowed on the quota of Porter or not, and if so, what did he say?

A. I did consult him. I asked him if those men would be credited to our town, and he said they would be; and he handed me a blank and told me to have their names inserted in that blank and certified to be residents of Porter by the selectmen of Porter.

Q. Look at the return above mentioned and state if that is the paper handed to you in blank by General Hodsdon, as above stated.

A. (Witness looks.) I think it is.

Q. Who filled up said blank with the names now in it?

A. I did, excepting the two last names, which are N. Powers and H. Ralph.

Q. Where did you obtain the names which you wrote in said blank?

A. I obtained them of Yates & Delany; and I think they are the names mentioned in said certificate of the Provost Marshal.

Q. What reply, if any, did you make to General Hodsdon, when he handed you said blank, as above stated, and what did he say further?

A. I told him I did not see how our selectmen could sign it, as the men were not residents of our town; and he said it was a mere matter of form.

MOSES S. MOULTON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, September 19, 1870.

ARNOLD BLANEY of Bristol, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you, or not, chairman of the board of selectmen of Bristol for the year 1864–5?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Whether or not, in that capacity, you purchased men or credits for men under calls of July and December, 1864?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you procure certain men or names of men of G. M. Delany, in August, 1864?

A. Yes, sir; I had ten men of him for which I paid him $4500, on the eighth day of September, 1864.

Q. State what representations were made by Delany, as to who the men were, where they were, and as to his right to sell them?

A. I have no recollections about anything of that kind. I have no recollection of his stating anything as to how he got them, or where they came from. I was satisfied when I got the Adjutant General's certificate, and the men were passed to our credit, and then I paid the money over.

Q. Did you see the men, or was any statement made to you as to where they were, or when they had been enlisted?

A. I did not see the men. I have no distinct recollection about anything being said as to where they were; I have only an indistinct impression that Delany said they were navy men.

Q. Did you refer the matter to Adjutant General Hodsdon, or receive any advice from him that the men to be sold by Delany would be put upon the quota of Bristol?

A. I had no conversation with him upon that subject. I used to go to the Adjutant General's books, and did in that case, and besides that I had his certificate, which was handed to me by Delany when I paid him the money at the Augusta bank. I am not sure that the certificate was from the Adjutant General; but it was from him or the Dist. Pro. Mar., or from the A. A. Pro. Mar. General of the State or the mustering-in officer. I am unable to produce the certificate, as it has been lost or mislaid.

Q. Did Delany furnish you with a list of the names procured of him; and if yea, will you procure the list to be annexed to your deposition?

A. I think he did not. I have no recollection that he did.

Q. Did the certificate of which you have spoken contain a list of the men?

A. I think not, only the number.

Q. Now state if you did not make the claim of your town for reimbursement, and whether it did not contain the names of the men which you had of Delany?

A. I did not make the claim in person—I signed it. Gen. Hodsdon made the claim. I gave him all the papers that I had.

Q. Did you see on the books of the Adjutant General the names of the men which you had of Delany?

A. I presume I did, but I cannot state. I was satisfied when I got the evidence that they were passed to my credit.

Q. Are you personally acquainted with the following persons: J. D. Andrews, W. C. Brian, Jones Reed, F. H. Smith, C. F. Alvis, J. Gillespie, D. Herold, C. H. Davis, O. N. Damond, C. Fitzgerald? and are they or have they ever been, to your knowledge, residents of Bristol?

A. I never saw them, and they never have been residents of Bristol to my knowledge.

Q. Are there families of these names residing in Bristol?

A. I only recognize as families living in our town the names of Smith, Davis and Andrews. I do not know any individuals of that town, the initials of whose names are the same as above named.

Q. Look at the paper entitled "A Return of persons resident and liable to military duty in the town of Bristol, who are in the service in the U. S. Navy," dated August 20, 1864, and state whether or not you signed the same?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) That is my signature, but it is not filled up in my handwriting, and I have no recollection of being requested to sign such paper. I think it must have been signed in blank.

Q. State whether the six persons named in a similar return, purporting to be signed by yourself and Chandler Bearce as selectmen of Bristol, were residents of Bristol.

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you take a receipt from Mr. Delany for the money paid for these men.

A. I did, and I think it is in the hands of Gen. Hodsdon, or among my papers at home.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, September 20, 1870.

ARNOLD BLANEY appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you purchase thirteen men to fill Bristol's quota under the call of December, 1864, and if so, of whom?

A. I think it was under the call of December, 1864—of that I am not positive. I did, of Pike or Pike & Colby of Augusta.

Q. State particularly all the negotiations you had with Pike in reference to these men.

A. I met with Mr. Pike, and he proposed to me to sell me some men, or asked me if I wanted some men. I negotiated with him for a certain number of men. I think the bargain was that they should be three years' men. When he had the men ready I found they were two years' men—that is upon his representations. I took thirteen men of him and paid him for them at, my impression of it is, about $500 apiece.

Q. Where were the men—when were they enlisted—what was said of them?

A. I don't recollect except, I think, I asked him if they were niggers, and he said they were white men.

Q. Did you believe at the time that you were obtaining bona fide men actually enlisted or to be enlisted into the United States military service?

A. I did; I had no other suspicion at the time, or until long afterwards.

Q. What evidence, if any, did you require from Pike & Colby that the thirteen men had been credited or would be credited on your town's quota?

A. I had the evidence that they were passed to my credit. I presume it was a certificate from the Adjutant General, and seeing their names upon his books I took a list from Pike for the purpose of comparing it with the rolls of the Adjutant General's office.

Q. Where are the certificates and lists that you have mentioned?

A. I cannot say. They are probably among my loose papers at home, but I have not been able to find them. Some of them may be with those who were associated with me at the time, and some of them may be with the auditor who settled my account with the town.

Q. Did you take receipts from said Pike & Colby? If yea, where are they?

A. I did take a receipt, either from Pike or Pike & Colby. The receipt is either among my own papers or with some of those who were associated with me at that time.

Q. Have you a list or a copy of a list of said men? If yea, will you make it a part of your deposition?

A. I have, and it is hereto annexed, marked "A," and it contains the same names that are credited to the town on the books of the Adjutant General.

Q. Are either of the persons named in this list known to you, or are they residents or have they ever been residents of your town?

A. They are not known to me, and were never residents of our town to my knowledge.

Q. Do you understand that your town's claim for reimbursement for the ten men purchased of Delany, and the thirteen purchased of Pike was disallowed by the commissioners?

A. I do so understand.

Q. Look at this claim of the town of Bristol for reimbursement for monies paid for recruits, purporting to be signed by yourself and James Nichols, as selectmen of the town of Bristol, dated January 27, 1869, and state by whom the same was made out, and by whom it was presented to the commissioners.

A. I have looked at it, and from the heading down to the name of Wilson J. Yates, it was made by David Chamberlain, who was associated with me as a committee to prefer our claim before the commissioners. We employed Gen. Hodsdon to present and prove our claim. The names supplied by Chamberlain were all we had, and the rest of the list was supplied by Gen. Hodsdon.

Q. Did you have any conversation with Hodsdon at the time, or about the time, you employed him to complete and present the claim, and if so, what was it?

A. I had. I asked him if those Pike men were the paper men that were alked about and whether they would be allowed. He said no, they were all good men.

Q. Did you furnish Hodsdon with the names of the Delany and of the Pike men, or were they inserted in the claim by Gen. Hodsdon from data in his possession?

A. I presume they were furnished by Gen. Hodsdon from data which he had in his possession, as I furnished him with none touching those men.

Q. Was your town's quota under all the calls during the war certified to be filled, and were the Delany and Pike men accepted to complete the filling of said quotas?

A. All my quotas during the war were filled, and the Delany men and Pike men formed a part of those quotas, and the quotas could not have been filled without them.

ARNOLD BLANEY.

GEORGE GOODWIN of Wells, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Whether or not you acted as agent to fill your town's quota under the call of July, 1864?

A. Yes, sir. There were two of us, Trafton Hatch and myself. We were directed by the town to make the best trade we could, and did so and filled the quota.

Q. Did you purchase six men to fill that quota for whom disbursement was refused, and if so, of whom?

A. Yes, sir. I can't tell of whom we had them. I had men of Hodsdon, Morris & Co. to fill that quota, but can't tell how many. My impression is that the six men disallowed we had of said Hodsdon, Morris & Co.

Q. What are the names of the six men, and what did you pay for them?

A. John Camp, Philip Allany, Thomas Pierce, George A. Burnham, Henry Breman, William Webb. For the first two we paid $400 each, and for the last four $300 each.

Q. What, if any evidence, was shown you that these men were allowed on your quota?

A. The evidence of Capt. Doughty, the Provost Marshal of the 1st District, which was a certificate showing the names, and that they were credited on the quota of Wells. This certificate I supposed was among the papers of the town officers, but the chairman of the selectmen lately told me that he had looked for the papers and could not find them. I will endeavor to procure it to be annexed to this deposition.

Q. Are the six men, named above, known to you, or had they ever been residents of your town?

A. I think they never have, any of them. They were not persons with whom I was acquainted.

Q. With which member of the firm of Hodgdon, Morris & Co. did you negotiate for the men?

A. Principally with George Hodgdon. They were often together, and both had something to say.

Q. What representations were made by Hodgdon as to these men—who they were, where they were, when they were enlisted, and of his authority to sell them?

A. I don't recollect particularly. There was some talk about paper men, and we notified them that we didn't wan't any such men as paper men. We supposed these were real men.

Q. Look at this return of persons resident or liable to enrolment in the town of Wells, in service in the United States navy, dated October 4, 1864, and state if the signatures to it are genuine, and in whose handwriting the return is filled up.

A. The name of Samuel M. Clark seems to be his genuine signature. I am not so well acquainted with the handwriting of the other two, and am unable to decide. I should think both names are in one handwriting. I don't know the handwriting of the filling up of the paper.

Q. Do you know anything about such a paper having been required and forwarded, or was anything said about such a paper's being necessary?

A. I have no recollection of anything of the kind.

GEO. GOODWIN.

DOCUMENTS

Accompanying the Report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," and referred to in the foregoing evidence.

WATERVILLE.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of JOSEPH PERCIVAL, pages 41 to 46.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 45.]

$4,250. Received of the town of Waterville four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars in full for ten volunteer recruits credited to the quota of said town under the call of the President, of December, 1864, the names of whom are hereunto annexed. L. F. Dodge, O. Dean, F. Mead, A. A. Matherson, Henry Putman, J. S. Blow, John M. Rowe, Sam'l B. Randall, J. A. Rounds, S. Smith.

(Signed,) PIKE & COLBY.

Augusta, Jan'y 23, 1865.

B.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 43.]

Augusta Recruiting Agency.

Town of Waterville to John P. Deering & Co., for men furnished on quota.

1865. DR.

Jan.	6.	To 10 men	$3,250
	6.	1 "	425
	21.	10 "	4,750
Mar.	20.	1 "	525
	24.	1 "	525
Apr.	4.	3 "	1,575
			$11,050

1865. CR.

Jan.	11.	By cash	$2,500
	16.	"	1,100
Feb.	13.	"	1,000
	21.	"	3,825
Mar.	23.	"	1,000
Apr.	10.	"	1,000
	11.	"	625
			$11,050

Settled. (Signed,) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.,
Per W. C. Simmons.

C.

[*Referred to, pages* 41, 44 *and* 45.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Augusta, Me., January 21, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Waterville: L. T. Dodge, O. Dean, T. Mead, A. A. Matherson, Henry Putnam, J. S. Plow, John M. Rowe, Sam'l B. Randall, J. A. Rounds, S. Smith. For three years. 10 in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

D.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 43.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Augusta, Me., January 2, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Waterville, Maine:—Thomas Abram, J. Veazie, John B. Boyle, John Busline, D. W. Jackson, D. O'Brien, A. Rogers, Francis A. Cobb, James McGraw, James Green. 10 in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

E.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 43.]

Augusta, January 11, 1865.

Received of the town of Waterville twenty-five hundred dollars towards town bounty for ten one year's men, recruited and credited upon Waterville's quota, as per Maj. Littler's certificate of January 2, 1865, by the hand of Joseph Percival, selectman.

(Signed) J. P. DEERING & Co.
By J. P. Hill.

F.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 43.]

Waterville, January 16, 1865.

$750. Received of the town of [*Waterville*] seven hundred and fifty dollars in full for ten one year's recruits on the quota of said town, as per Maj. Littler's certificate of January 2, 1865, the names of which are annexed. Thomas Abram, J. Veazie, John B. Boyle, John Busline, O. W. Jackson, D. O'Brien, A. Rogers, Francis A. Cobb, James McGraw, James Green.

(Signed) J. P. DEERING & Co.
By J. P. Hill.

G.

[*Referred to, pages* 41, 44 *and* 45.]

Provost Marshal's office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 23d, 1865.

The following names have been credited to the town of Waterville under date of January 21st, 1865 :

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Dodge, L. F.	3 years.	Plow, J. S.	3 years.
Dean, O.	do.	Rowe, John M.	do.
Mead, T	do.	Randall, Samuel B.	do.
Matherson, A. A.	do.	Rounds, J. A.	do.
Putnam, Henry	do.	Smith, S.	do.

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Waterville.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

H.

[*Referred to, pages* 41 *and* 46.]

Augusta, 30 November, 1868.

Dear sir,—In compliance with your request I have examined the books of our old firm and find that we kept no account of the men until after 20th March, 1865, when I find charged and quotaed

March 20.....Chas. W. McGregor.
" 22.....Wm. W. Brown.
" 22.....Isaac Chick.
" 22.....Hiram Billings.
" 24.....Chas. W. Merrill.

" of which you were furnished muster-in certificates." I have the impression that those certificates bore the names of the several men as mustered. Unless they did, the towns cannot furnish the Commissioners the names of the men, as we followed the department orders and gave the several towns the same evidence of muster-in and quota that the officers here gave us.

I should be pleased to assist in any way possible. Truly yours,

(Signed) J. P. DEERING.

EMBDEN.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of JOHN GRAY, pages 46 to 50.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 49.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, February 4, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Embden, under date of January 13, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Rice, Wm. H.	3 years.	Stanton, George	3 years.
Buckley, Thomas N	do.	Ayers, John	do.
Barbridge, Joseph	do.	Brurback, Jesse	do.
Guines, Austin	do.	Murphy, Patrick	do.
Riley, Haley	do.	Troughton, Wm.	do.
McKenney, Richard	do.	Brown, Charles P	do.

I certify that the above names were credited to the town of Embden, as stated.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 49.]

$5,400. Augusta, February 4, 1865.

Received of John Gray five thousand four hundred dollars in full payment of twelve three years' men placed on the quota of Embden.

[2 ct. U. S. Inter. Rev. Stamp.] (Signed) PIKE & COLBY.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 49.]

Office Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., October 7, 1864.

Two men, not heretofore credited, on this day assigned to Embden, and will be so reported to the Provost Marshal in to-morrow's report.

By order of MAJ. J. W. T. GARDINER, A. A. P. M. G.

(Signed) J. W. Spaulding, Capt. & Inspector.

D.

[*Referred to, pages* 49 *and* 50.]

Augusta, October 7, 1864.

Know all men by these presents, that I, G. M. Delany & Co., are held and firmly bound unto the selectmen of the town of Embden, namely, John Gray and T. F. Boothby, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and assigns firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this 7th day of October A. D. 1864.

The condition of this obligation is such that, Whereas the said G. M. Delany & Co. has agreed to furnish for the said selectmen of Embden, aforesaid, fourteen good enlisted men as recruits for said town, ten men to serve for the space of three years, and four to

serve for the time of one year. Now, if the said Delany shall well and truly perform all duties of said agreement so that no person or authorities of any other town shall claim or hold any of the said fourteen recruits, but shall continue to be accredited to the town of Embden during all of the time above named, then their obligation shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

(Signed) G. M. Delany,
Frank Davis,
O. K. Yates.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
(Signed) F. F. Boothby.

We, G. M. Delany & Co., have received pay in full Augusta, October 7, 1864.
the town of $8,000. Eight thousand dollars for fourteen men quotaed on the town of Embden.

Received pay in full (Signed) G. M. Delany & Co.

ALNA.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of Wm. H. Small, pages 50 to 52.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 51.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 20, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Alna under date of Jan'y 20, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Michael M. Mulhau,	3 years.	Michael McLuad,	3 years.
John Maxwell,	do.	Joseph Thomas,	do.
Patrick Kearney,	do.	Bryant Lurru,	do.
Richard Missett,	do.	William A. Weaver,	1 year.
Robert McKenney,	do.		

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Alna.

(Signed) Jos. T. Woodward, Commissioner.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 51.]

$4,005. Augusta, January 20, 1865.

[2 ct. Rev. Stamp.]

Received of Wm. H. Small, Esq., four thousand and five dollars in payment for eight three years' men and one one year's man placed on the quota of the town of Alna.

(Signed) Colby & Pike.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 51.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, April 5, 1865.

To Selectmen of Alna:

Gentlemen:—I am directed by the Board of Enrolment to inform you that the quota of the town of Alna is now full.

I am, Gentlemen, Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,

JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 51.]

$1,750. Received of Wm. H. Small seventeen hundred and fifty dollars for ten naval recruits I placed to the credit of the town of Alna, as per record in Maj. Gardiner's office.

T. M. STEVENS.

Augusta, Me., September 16, 1864.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 51.]

Headquarters A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen. Office,
Augusta, Me., Sept. 17, 1864.

Ten (10) additional recruits in the navy will be credited to the town of Alna.

W. H. FOGLER,
Capt. and Inspector to A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen.

ATHENS.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of Reuben Stodder, pages 52 to 54, and referred to in the Deposition of S. L. Tobey, pages 59 and 60.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 52 *and* 59.]

Augusta, January 3, 1865.

$3,600.00. Received of the selectmen of Athens thirty-six hundred dollars for eight three years' men quotaed to said town through the office of the Adjutant General, which eight men we agree to make good to said town against the claims of all other towns or persons.

(Signed) COLBY & PIKE.

[Three 2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamps.] Benj. Hurd.

B.

[*Referred to, pages* 52 *and* 54.

Augusta, January 6, 1865.

$850. Received of the inhabitants of the town of Athens by the hand of S. L. Tobey, selectman of said town, eight hundred and fifty dollars in full payment for two three

years' men, and I, the undersigned, D. H. Brown, do hereby agree with said S. L. Tobey, to cause to be mustered into the United States service, two three years' men on the quota of said Athens, and return receipts from the mustering officer that said men have been mustered to the credit and for the quota of said Athens; and I further agree to guarantee said two men against the claim of any other town or persons, and if said men or either of them should be transferred to the quota of any other town, I further agree to cause to be put to the quota of Athens other men or man, as the case may be, to fill said transfer if such should be made; and it is further agreed that in case said D. H. Brown should find for his convenience and profit to put into the service two one year's men instead of the above named three years' men, and by fulfilling all the other stipulations in regard to the three years' men, he may so do by refunding to the inhabitants of said Athens the sum of seventy five dollars on each man so changed or altered.

(Signed) D. H. Brown.

[5 cent Rev. Stamp.]

C.

[*Referred to, page* 53.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., Dec. 30, 1864.

I certify that eight men of the General Credits of the State of Maine, having been assigned by the Adjutant General, are placed to the credit of Athens.

A. K. Dennison, Clerk in charge of Credits.

D.

[*Referred to, pages* 53, 54 *and* 59.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, ————, 186 .

Geo. K. Bartel, Wm. Nellins, Henry K. Kepp, Wm. H. Addams, Thomas McHam, Thomas V. Darling, Charles Myheer, James Alexander. All for three years.

Received and credited to the town of Athens.

J. T. Woodward, Commissioner.

SIDNEY.

Pages 55 and 144. Papers annexed to the Deposition of Wm. A. Shaw, page 55.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 56.]

Harkins, Patrick; Jenkins, James; Andrews, John D.; Atwood, Sisdale; Andrews, Joseph; Dougherty, Patrick; Gallighan, Peter; Gwine, Aaron; Keefe, John; Kelley, John; Lowd, William H.; McKay, James; McKane, John; Ward, John H.

Allowed under the July call, as appears by papers in the Adjutant General's office, to Sidney. December 22, 1868.

Augusta, June 22, 1870.

A true copy. A. C. Walker, Clerk of Com. of Investigation, &c.

B.

Statement of account by A. B. FARWELL.

September 8, 1864.

Dear Sir:—I hand you herewith the certificate of the Adjutant General, that the seventeen recruits whom I was to furnish for the town of Sidney have been mustered and credited to that town.

You will also find enclosed my account for furnishing the same, amounting to $4,427 exclusive of State bounty, which I have collected myself,

Making each recruit cost $260 exclusive of bounty	$4,427
Amount received (less $5.00 to convert to currency)	4,000
	$427
	5
Amount due,	$432

You are at liberty to receipt the bill on payment of $432, and the delivery to you of the receipt signed by Mr. Morrill and myself.

Yours truly, A. B. FARWELL.

Jos. T. Woodward, Esq., Pro. Office, &c.

Office of Paper Credit Investigating Commission,
Augusta, June 10, 1870.

I certify the above to be a true copy.

A. C. WALKER, Clerk of Com.

[*Annexed to the Deposition of Wm. A. Shaw, pages* 55 *and* 56. *This document does not appear to be referred to in the Evidence of Mr. Shaw, but it is found in an envelope marked to be annexed thereto.* SAM'L W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

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Papers annexed to the Deposition of JAMES SHEARMAN, page 144.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 144.]

Town of Sidney to A. B. Farwell, Dr. To furnishing 17 recruits under call of July 18, 1864, exclusive of State bounty $4,427

Received on above 3,995

$432

Received payment. (Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

September 7, 1864.

[NOTE.—There is a slight discrepancy between the date of this bill and the testimony of Mr. Shearman, see page 144. In his evidence he gave the date Sept. 17, 1864.

SAM'L W. LANE, Sec'y of the Senate.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 145.]

Augusta, January 14, 1865.

$4,500. Received of the selectmen of the town of Sidney four thousand five hundred dollars in payment for ten three years' men placed on the quota of said town, which men are already in the service, and we agree to warrant said men against the claims of any other town or person whatsoever.

[3 ct. stamp cancelled.] (Signed) COLBY & PIKE.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 145.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 12, 1865.

The following men have been credited to the town of Sidney under date of January 12, 1865:

Names.	Term.	Names.	Term.
Milan, Patrick	3 years.	McDonald, Daniel	3 years.
Smith, James	do.	Stopher, Edward	do.
Simmons, Charles E	do.	Minster, Albert A	do.
Bennett, Robert	do.	Boisramen, Alphonso	do.
Campbe, William	do.	Mason, Denney	do.

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Sidney.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

Approved. Ten men in all. (Signed) A. P. DAVIS, Capt. & Pro. Mar.

D.

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 8, 1864.

Col. A. B. Farwell:

The seventeen men furnished by you, for the town of Sidney, have been duly credited on the quota of that town under the present call.

JOHN L. HODSDON, Adjutant General.

[This document is found among the papers relating to the town of Sidney, but does not appear to be referred to in the evidence of Mr. Shaw or Mr. Shearman. It was marked "A," but there being two other papers marked "A," referred to by Messrs. Shaw and Shearman, I mark the document "D." SAM'L W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

PALMYRA.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of SAMUEL CLEMENT, page 56.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 57.]

Augusta, January 12, 1865.

$6300. Received of Americus Morrill, one of the selectmen of the town of Palmyra, six thousand three hundred dollars in payment for fourteen three years' men placed upon the quota of said town.

(Signed) PIKE & COLBY.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 57.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 12th, 1865.

I certify that the following enlisted men of the United States Marine Corps, ordered to be credited to the State of Maine by the Provost Marshal General, have been credited to the town of Palmyra of this district:

Names.	Term.	Names.	Term.
William Townsend	3 years.	David Williams	3 years.
Samuel Newsome	do.	James L. Beck	do.
Wm. I. Moore	do.	Henry Schaeffer	do.
Andrew J. Fornlins	do.	Martin Marion	do.
Charles Brother	do.	George W. Bickford	do.
Edmund Cole	do.	Dennis Foley	do.
John Graham	do.	Edwin Huggett	do.

(Signed) A. P. DAVIS,
Capt. and Provost Marshal.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 57.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 12th, 1865.

The following names are credited to the town of Palmyra under date of January 12th, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Townsend, William	3 years.	Williams, David	3 years.
Newsome, Samuel	do.	Beck, James L.	do.
Moore, William I	do.	Schaeffer, Henry	do.
Fornlins, Andrew J	do.	Marion, Martin	do.
Brother, Charles	do.	Bickford, George W	do.
Cole, Edmund	do.	Foley, Dennis	do.
Graham, John	do.	Huggett, Edwin	do.

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Palmyra.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

HARMONY.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of JOSEPH A. MAGOON, page 62.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 62.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 13, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Harmony, Third District—Three years' men: J. A. Wentworth, John S. Bond, Antoine Felix, James Nor-

ton, Leavitt Thaxter, Jas. H. Knox, Samuel Dutch, H—— Dexter, W. Eldridge, Jas. Columbus. 10 in number.

R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't. Vol. Rect'g Service.

Endorsement on the foregoing Document "A," referred to, page 62.

Received of the town of Harmony four thousand five hundred dollars for the assignment of the within named men.

January 13, 1865. (Signed) T. H. DINSMORE.

MONMOUTH.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of AMBROSE BEAL, page 65.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 66.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, Sept. 15, 1864.

Col. Farwell:

The six men furnished by you for the town of Monmouth have been duly credited to the quota of that town under the present call.

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, Adjutant General.

Augusta, September 16, 1864.

Received of Ambrose Beal three thousand dollars for the above six men.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Rev. Stamp.] (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

FRIENDSHIP.

Pages 67 and 79. Papers annexed to the Deposition of ROBERT GEYER, page 67.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 68.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 20, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Friendship: James Andrer, M. S. West, John J. Smith, George E. Phinney, T. Mellen, Jas. McCarty, N. Holburdon, E. B. Howard. For three years. — in number.

R. M. LLTTLER,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 68.]

Augusta, January 2, 1865.

Received of selectmen of Friendship three thousand five hundred and twenty dollars (3,520) in full for eight (8) men furnished on the quota of said town for three (3) years.

(Signed) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.

[5 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

C.

[*Referred to, page* 68.]

Augusta, April 5th, 1865.

Received of Robert Geyer four hundred dollars ($400) for putting one (one year) man on the quota of Friendship.

(Signed) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

Mr. Thompson.—Dear Sir—This was the last man put in I think. We do not know his name.

(Signed) Z. COOK.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 68.]

Augusta, March 2, 1865.

Received of the town of Friendship $500, for which we agree to put in to the credit of said town one one year volunteer.

(Signed) J. P. DEERING & Co.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

E.

[*Referred to, page* 69.]

Received September 28, 1864, of M. M. Rawson, eighteen hundred dollars for three (3) men furnished for the town of Friendship under the present call.

A. B. FARWELL.

We hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a receipt taken of A. B. Farwell, and that that amount of money, $1800.00, was paid to him, and the same amount paid or refunded back to us by the town officers of Friendship, or persons in the town's employ.

(Signed) S. W. JACKSON.

(Signed) M. M. RAWSON.

Waldoboro', June 9th, 1870.

SMITHFIELD.

Pages 69 and 84. Paper annexed to the Deposition of ISAAC W. VARNEY, page 69.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 69 *and* 84.]

Augusta, September 20, 1864.

Received of Moses Dunsmoor three thousand dollars for six men furnished the town of Smithfield. (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.]

Papers annexed to the Deposition of MOSES DUNSMORE, page 84.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 85.]

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] Augusta, February 13, 1865.

Received of the town of Smithfield by hands of Moses Dunsmore, twelve hundred seventy-five dollars for three men put upon said town's quota.

$1,275. G. M. DELANY & Co.
Per Davis.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 85.]

Augusta, Me., January 23, 1865.

Received of selectmen of Smithfield, twenty-six hundred and ten dollars ($2610) for putting six (6) men on the quota of said town.

(Signed) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.

[5 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.]

AUBURN.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of THOMAS LITTLEFIELD, page 71.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 72.]

Augusta, March 7, 1865.

$2,700. Received of the selectmen of Auburn two thousand seven hundred dollars in payment for six three-years' men placed upon the quota of said town, which six men are hereby guarantee against the claims of all other towns or persons whatsoever.

(Signed) COLBY & PIKE,
Benj. Hurd.

FREEPORT.

Pages 72 and 102. Papers annexed to the Deposition of NATHAN O. TRUE, page 102.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 102.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 27, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Freeport: D. B. Fox, W. Fish, C. Garsidea, S. M. Knight, Geo. A. Knapp, F. Lefeck, John Lawrence, A. J. Lapham, Elijah W. Randall, J. K. Rodo. 10 in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 103.]

Augusta, February 10, 1865.

Received of N. O. True four thousand five hundred dollars for putting ten (10) (three year) men on the quota of Freeport, Maine.

(Signed) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.

[5 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]

Papers annexed to the Deposition of MICAH STOCKBRIDGE, page 72.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 73.]

[2 ct. U. S. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]

Received of M. Stockbridge for the town of Freeport one thousand and fifty dollars for filling quota of said town under call of July 18, 1864.

(Signed) JOHN P. HEATH.

Portland, Sept. 17, 1864.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 73.]

$55.00. [2 ct. U. S. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]

Received of M. Stockbridge of Freeport fifty-five dollars for recruit and making out paper for men on Sabine.

(Signed) JOHN P. HEATH.

Portland, September 2, 1864.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 73.]

First Congressional District—Town of Freeport.

Names of persons allowed to the credit of Freeport for enlistments in the navy—to August 4, 1864—not including enlistments in the Sabine subsequent to Aug. 10, 1864:

William Bibber, William H. Chadsey, Sam'l W. Chase, David Dunham, David H. Dunham, John M. Dillingham, John Farrington, John A. Hyde, Burnard Kelley, Alvin D. Mitchell, John Mullen, Nicholas Murphy, Patrick O'Conner, John J. Rogers, Wm. P. Rogers, Frank Rogers, Robert S. Steele, Peter F. Wilson, Cephas K. Waite.

CORINNA.

Pages 73 and 74. Papers annexed to the Deposition of ROBERT KNOWLES, page 73.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 74.]

Marine Corps men credited Corinna—for three years.

Henry Wilhelm, Thomas O. Shea, Newton H. Scarlett, Peter Borman, John S. Brandt, James A. Caldwell, Joseph Dunbar, Augustus Fornhop, Carl Wagner, B. Franklin Shoemaker, James J. Brown, Charles Brinkman, James Brown, Sebastian Dana, Lehman B. Fox, John Christian Gerst.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 74.]

[2 ct. U. S. Inter. Rev. Stamp.] Bangor, April 3, 1865.

Received of the inhabitants of Corinna nineteen hundred dollars, the balance due for recruits which I had quotaed on that town—sixteen in all—which is in full of all demands to date. (Signed) S. C. ARCHER.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 74.]

[1 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.] Bangor, February 1, 1865.

Received of selectmen of Corinna, by hand of V. A. Sprague, five hundred dollars in payment of one three year's man mustered in and accounted to quota of Corinna.

(Signed) S. C. ARCHER.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 74.]

[2 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.] Bangor, January 7, 1865.

Received of inhabitants of Corinna, by the hand of Robert Knowles, selectman, two thousand five hundred dollars, to be expended in paying bounties to soldiers to go on the quota of Corinna.

(Signed) S. C. ARCHER.

BINGHAM.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of CHANDLER BAKER, page 75.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 75.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 17, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Bingham: H. W. Anderson, Geo. E. Beals, W. H. Bishop, L. Crane, J. H. Collins, James Davis, J. H. Moore—three years' men. Seven in number.

R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Supt. Vol. Rect'g Service.

DEXTER.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of TRISTRAM P. SAWYER, page 76.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 77 *and* 91.]

Bangor, February 15, 1865.

Mr. Gould—Dear sir—Immediately on my arrival here I went to the Provost Marshal's office and ascertained that the transfer of the eight (8) men from Newport to Dexter is correct. Notice received here on Monday last. You can pay the money now with safety. Yours truly,

(Signed) HENRY L. WOOD.

To John H. Gould, Dexter.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 77.]

Received of the town of Dexter thirty-seven hundred dollars for quotaing eight U. S. soldiers to the credit of said town, being the same transferred on the 13th of February, inst., from the credit of Newport to the credit of Dexter.

(Signed) ELLLIOT WALKER.

(Signed) ELISHA W. SHAW.

February 16, 1865. [2 cent Int. Rev. Stamp.]

Also received ten dollars for expense of getting said men transferred.

(Signed) E. WALKER.

February 16, 1865.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 77.]

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., February 13, 1864.

The following named enlisted men of the United States Marine Corps have this day been transferred from the credit of Newport to the credit of Dexter: Hamilton Williams, Henry N. Schmidt, James Mullen, Henry Morris, George Stratton, Thomas Quinn, Ernest Platz, John W. Mattock.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
Major and A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine.

FAIRFIELD.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ALBERT N. GREENWOOD, page 78.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

$500. Received five hundred dollars of the town of Fairfield, by the hand of A. N. Greenwood, to be accounted for on settlement for recruits for said town (furnished by myself).

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.

Augusta, January 6 1865.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Received of the town of Fairfield one thousand dollars for bounties to volunteers.

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.

Fairfield, January 14, 1865.

Received of the town of Fairfield two thousand three hundred and fifty dollars for bounties to volunteers.

(Signed) JOS. F. NYE.

Fairfield, January 14, 1865.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Received of town of Fairfield, by A. N. Greenwood, one thousand dollars as part payment on recruits quotaed Fairfield.

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.

Augusta, January 6, 1864.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Received of the town of Fairfield two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars for bounties paid for volunteers on the quota of Fairfield.

(Signed) JOS. F. NYE.

January 21, 1865.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 10, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Fairfield under date of January 9, 1865—for three years: James L. Ward, Joseph Stokle.

I certify that these names were credited to the town of Fairfield.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

(Signed) A. P. Davis, Capt. and Prov. Mar.

Returned from A. A. Provost Marshal General.

F.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District Maine,
Augusta, January 11, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Fairfield under date of January 11, 1865—for three years: Daniel Carr, Stephen Dempsey, Joseph Fruntas, Andrew Caffery.

I certify that the above named men have been credited to Fairfield.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

G.

[*Referred to, page* 79.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 11, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Fairfield under date of January 11, 1865—for three years: William E. Alardt, Thomas Fulton.

I certify that the above named men have been credited to Fairfield.

(Signed) J. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

DAMARISCOTTA.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of ALBION G. HUSTON, page 80.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 80.]

Augusta, August 9, 1864.

Received of A. G. Huston four hundred and eighty dollars in full of all demands up to date.

(Signed) G. M. DELAY. (Delany.)

Augusta, August 9, 1864.

This for eight men put on the quota of the town of Damariscotta.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY.

LIVERMORE.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of ORISON ROLLINS, page 82.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 83.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 10, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of Livermore (Sub. District) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine:

Names.	Recruit for which Reg't.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Edward Henry	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
William Lacy	do.	do.	do.
O. Weld Thatcher	do.	do.	do.
Barney Silverman	do.	do.	do.
William Burke	do.	do.	do.
John L. Likens	do.	do.	do.
John O. Toole	do.	do.	do.
Alfred Wade	do.	do.	do.
Colin Campbell	do.	do.	do.
William Dugen	do.	do.	do.

Ten persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,

Capt. and Prov. Marshal, 2d Dist., Mustering Officer.

Paid $450 each to A. Herriman, Auburn, Me.

ANDOVER.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of JOSIAH BAILEY, page 83.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 83.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 11th, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted into the service of the United States on the quota of Andover (sub district) in this district, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

Names.	Recruits for which Reg't.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
William Weason	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
John Terry	do.	do.	do.
Christopher Lutz	do.	do.	do.
John Lynch	do.	do.	do.
William Barry	do.	do.	do.

Five persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Pro. Mar. 2d Dist. Mustering Officer.

NEWPORT.

Pages 86 and 89. Papers annexed to the Deposition of ELLIOT WALKER, page 89, (and see also "DEXTER, Document 'A,'" page 178.)

A.

[*Referred to, page* 90.]

Office Act'g Ass't Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 14, 1865.

The following enlisted men of the United States Marine Corps, ordered by the Provost Marshal to be credited to the State of Maine, are credited for three years to the town of Newport, 4th District of Maine: William H. Delancy, William Noble, William Jordan, Charles J. Wall, Jacob F. Menster, Lawrence Hickey, Samuel McNeil, David Jones, George Wise, Robert Egman, Charles H. Gillett, John H. Valiant, John A. Peoples, Isaac Irwins, Patrick Kenney, Patrick J. Brien, Michael Riley, Reinhardt Zimmerman, William Fondel, James G. Jones.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
Maj. V. R. C. and A. A. P. M. General.

Endorsement on the foregoing document A.

I, Elliot Walker, on oath certify that the town of Newport paid the sum of four hundred and forty dollars each as bounties, for the within named men being quotaed to the town of Newport in the winter of A. D. 1865—that I was one of a committee for procuring soldiers, and have actual knowledge of that sum being paid by said town of Newport.

(Signed) ELLIOT WALKER.

Penobscot ss. January 18, 1869.

Personally appeared Elliot Walker, and made oath to the truth of the foregoing statement by him signed. Before me

(Signed) ATKINSON HOBART, Justice of the Peace.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 91.]

Received of E. Walker and E. W. Shaw four thousand one hundred and fifty dollars in full for the following named men being quotaed to the credit of Newport in January, 1865, viz: Hamilton Williams, Henry Morris, Ernest Platz, Henry A. Shmidt, George Stratton, John W. Mattock, James Mullen, Thomas Quinn, Sam'l D. Sharp and William Woods—being ten in number. Said named men were procured to be quotaed to said town by us. (Signed) PIKE & COLBY.

[10 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] S. C. Archer.

April 29, 1865.

HALLOWELL.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ARIEL WALL, page 87.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 87 *and* 88.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 19, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Hallowell: John Ray, Jos. M. Terry, J. Pond, Peter Daly, D. F. Barry. Three years men. Five in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 87.]

Augusta, Me., January 19th, 1865.

Received of A. Wall and Mark Johnson twenty-one hundred and fifty dollars for putting five men on the quota of Hallowell.

(Signed) JOHN P. DEERING & Co.

[Two 1 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamps.]

LEBANON.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of WILLIAM EMERY, page 92.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 93.]

January 25, 1865.

Received of the town of Lebanon seventeen hundred and seventy-five dollars in addition to thirty-three hundred dollars heretofore paid, the receipt for which is in the hands of R. H. Goding, to be accounted for on the settlement of twenty men put on the quota

of Lebanon at $510 each, making in the whole thus paid five thousand and seventy-five dollars, leaving a balance due me of five thousand one hundred and twenty-five dollars. $5,125.00.

(Signed) A. D. MERROW.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

[*Endorsements on foregoing document "A."*]

February 13, 1865.

In addition to the within I received one thousand dollars sent me by express January 30, 1865; also this day received ten hundred and twenty-two dollars 50-100, making two thousand twenty-two dollars, 50-100. $2,022.50.

(Signed) A. D. MERROW.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp]

Received thirty hundred dollars more and fifteen dollars interest money. $3,015.00.

(Signed) A. D. MERROW.

March 1, 1865.

[3 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.]

B.

[*Referred to, pages* 93 *and* 94.]

Provost Marshal's Office,
First District of Maine,
Portland, April 18, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Lebanon (sub. district) in this district:

Names.	Recruit for which Reg't.	Date of Muster.	Remarks.
C. H. Myers	Recruits, navy.	Returned to this office from A. A. P. M. G. at Augusta January 19, '65.	Mustered. for three years.
N. T. McDonald			
Thos. McKinley			
E. H. Nash			
A. H. Nichols			
F. Parker			
M. G. Pray			
John Pond			
E. Pies			
J. F. Rouch			
John Raines			
J. A. Silver			
Julius Stone			
Samuel G. Tucker			
George F. Taylor			
John Ward			
S. Wilbur			
M. Williams			
D. Callum			
Timothy McDonald			

Twenty persons in all.

CHARLES H. DOUGHTY,
Capt. and Pro. Mar. First District Mustering Officer.
By R. I. Hull, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE.

York ss.—Supreme Judicial Court.

Alfred, June 22, 1870.

I hereby certify the within is a true copy of certificate attached to deposition now on file in this office.

Attest: (Signed) H. FAIRFIELD, Clerk.

GREENE.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of AUGUSTUS SPRAGUE, page 96.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 96.]

Augusta, September 17, ——.

Received of Col. Augustus Sprague five hundred fifty dollars.

(Signed) ABBY FARWELL.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 96.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 22, 1864.

Capt. Fogler:

In the apportionment of general naval credits, made by the Gov. the 16th inst., you will find two for the town of Greene. Yours truly, J. L. HODSDON, A. G.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy.

(Signed) VIRGIL H. SPRAGUE.

GREENVILLE.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of M. G. SHAW, page 97.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 97.]

Augusta, Jan. 3, 1865.

Received of the town of Greenville, by hand of M. G. Shaw, twelve hundred dollars for which I agree to put into the United States service three three-years' men to be credited on the quota of Greenville at Bangor, said men to be put in within the two coming days.

(Signed) SUMNER BARTON.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

LITCHFIELD.

Pages 98 and 100. Papers annexed to the Deposition of THOMAS HOLMES.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 99 *and* 101.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, —— ——, 186—.

Credits to Litchfield.

Names.	Term of Service.	Designation.	Regiment.
David Hamor	3 years.	Substitute.	....
Samuel Jackson	do.	Volunteer.	U.S. C.T.
Henry Wilson	do.	do.	....
John Lewis	do.	do.	....
Charles H. Parks	2 years.	Substitute.	....

Men in United States Navy allowed by Commissioners:

Joseph Canata, Henry Currell, Augustus Dixinson, Charles L. Floury, James Frazier, Edward Gragore, Costellow D. Mason, John McCarty, Osten D. Sheldon, William O. J. Springer, Alphonzo Wilcox.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 99.]

Augusta, October 4, 1864.

$1,000. Received of the town of Litchfield, by the hands of James Colby, one thousand ($1,000) dollars in full for ten (10) men quotaed on the town of Litchfield for this call of the President of the United States.

Received payment,

(Signed) G. M. DELANY.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Rev. Stamp.] October 22, 1864.

Received the within ($1,000) one thousand dollars by town order.

(Signed) JAMES COLBY.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of JOHN WOODBURY.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 101.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, February 7, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Litchfield under dates of December 17th and December 30th, 1864:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Samuel Jackson*	3 years.	Patrick Smith	2 years.
William Douglass	2 years.	John Quincy	do.
John A. Lucas	do.	Charles Kimmerell	do.
Virginious Moulton	do.	Joseph McAllister	do.
Daniel Bell	do.	Henry Wilson*	3 years.

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Litchfield as above stated.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

[2 ct. U. S. Inter. Rev. Stamp.] February 14, 1865.

Received pay for the within men as follows: $325 per man for nine of them, amount twenty-nine hundred and twenty-five dollars, and for the other man three hundred dollars. I also have received three hundred dollars, the town bounty for substitutes, for the substitute procured for Daniel M. Emerson.

(Signed) JAMES COLBY.

CHINA.

Pages 103 and 106. Paper annexed to the Deposition of NATHAN REDLON, page 103.

A.

[*Referred to, pages* 104 *and* 107.]

Received of the selectmen of the town of China sixteen hundred dollars in full for furnishing the following eight men in the United States navy towards the quota of said

* Was allowed in reimbursement.

town of China, viz: F. L. Tobitt, C. L. Stevens, Henry Wilson, Patrick Berry, Robert D. Burns, William Hudson, Edmund Higgins, J. W. Murray. I guarantee that no city, town or plantation has any legal claim to said men to have them count on their quota.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY,
" O. K. YATES.

[2 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]
September 26, 1864.

File of papers marked "F," annexed to the Deposition of A. H. ABBOT.

F (Package.)

[*Referred to, page* 106.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 16, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of China: G. H. S. Bickman, C. N. Eldridge, Martin J. Fallau, Henry Green, George Hixon. Three years' men. Five in number.

R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

[2 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]

Received January 20, 1865, of selectmen of China twenty-two hundred dollars in full for the within named five men credited to said town, and I warrant that no city, town or plantation has any legal claim on them. Bought of D. T. Pike.

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.
Augusta, January 20, 1865.

F (Package.)

[*Referred to, page* 106.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 20, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of China: Charles D. Bryant, Henry T. Bingham, W. Carr, N. F. Ford, D. Gibbon. For three years. Five in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

F (Package.)

[*Referred to, page* 106.]

Augusta, January 23, 1865.

Received of A. H. Abbot seventeen hundred and sixty dollars for the town of China in part pay for five three years' men credited on that town by me on the 20th of January.

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.

[2 ct. Inter. Rev. Stamp.]

F (Package.)

[*Referred to, page* 106.]

$440.00. A. H. Abbot, Esq.

Please pay David Vickery or order four hundred and forty dollars, balance due on ten men quotaed on your town for three years by me.

(Signed) F. KENRICK, JR.
Kendall's Mills, January 25, 1865.

$440. Received four hundred and forty dollars.

(Signed) D. VICKERY.

NORRIDGEWOCK.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of HORATIO N. PAGE, page 104.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 105.]

Received September 7, 1864, of Horatio N. Page, six thousand dollars in full for men furnished by me on the quota of the town of Norridgewock.

(Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 105.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 7, 1864.

Col. Farwell,—The twelve naval enlistments furnished by you for Norridgewock are credited upon its quota. Yours truly,

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj. General.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 105.]

Name.	Age.			
Allen, Francis	24	Single.	Laborer.	R. Ship Ohio.
Aral, John	27	do.	do.	do.
Blair, Robert M	21	do.	do.	do.
Casey, James	23	do.	do.	do.
Desmond, Dennis	26	Married.	do.	do.
Edwards, Charles E	27	do.	do.	do.
Fogg, Thomas	20	Single.	do.	do.
Gillen, Patrick	23	do.	do.	do.
Haley, Albert	21	do.	do.	do.
Heald, Daniel	24	do.	do.	do.
Johnson, Henry	26	do.	do.	do.
Yates, Andrew	28	do.	do.	do.

Names of twelve naval men procured of Col. A. B. Farwell, Augusta.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 106.]

Provost Marshal's office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, February 20, 1865.

I certify that Joseph W. Maxcy and John Murphy have this day been credited on the quota of Norridgewock for three years.

(Signed) A. P. DAVIS,
Capt. and Provost Marshal.

PHILLIPS.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of BENJAMIN TARBOX, page 109.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 110.]

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] Auburn, February 1, 1865.

Received of Benjamin Tarbox the sum of four thousand and fifty dollars in full for nine volunteers enlisted for three years and mustered into the United States service by proper authority and quotaed to the town of Phillips.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 110.]

Auburn, February 15, 1865.

Received of B. Tarbox thirteen hundred and fifty "1350" in full for three volunteers mustered into the United States service for three years and credited to the quota of the town of Phillips.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 110.]

Augusta, January 26, 1865.

Received of the selectmen of the town of Phillips five thousand four hundred dollars for twelve three-years' men placed on the quota of said town; which twelve men are already in the service, and we agree to warrant and defend said men to said town against the claims of all other towns or persons whatsoever.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] (Signed) COLBY & PIKE.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 110.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 12, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of Phillips (sub district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

Names.	Recruits for which Reg't.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
John Mooner	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
William O. Brien	do.	do.	do.
Andrew C. Dowd	do.	do.	do.
Michael O. Connor	do.	do.	do.
John F. Peterman	do.	do.	do.
Bernard Smith	do.	do.	do.
Thomas Stewart	do.	do.	do.
William Walsh	do.	do.	do.
William Simmons	do.	do.	do.
Bernard Schegan	do.	do.	do.
William D. Mills	do.	do.	do.
John R. Franklin	do.	do.	do.

Twelve persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Prov. Marshal, 2d Dist., Mustering Officer.

SOUTHPORT.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of DANIEL R. MATTHEWS, page 110.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 30, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Southport: J. T. Harton, D. Hall, Gerge P. Foye, J. J. Giles, D. Hamlin, A. H. Hicks. Three years' men. Six in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 31, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Southport, under date of January 30, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
J. S. Horton	3 years.	J. J. Giles	3 years.
D. Hall	do.	D. Hamlin	do.
George P. Foy	do.	A. H. Hicks	do.

I certify that the above names were credited to the town of Southport, as above stated.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Augusta, Me., February 26th, 1865.

Town of Southport to Lewis Tibbetts, Dr.

For thirteen men mustered into United States service and credited to the quota of said town under the call of the President for three hundred thousand men, at the rate of two hundred and seventy-five dollars per man, 3575.

Received pay. (Signed) LEWIS TIBBETTS.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Inhabitants of the town of Southport, to Lewis Tibbetts, Dr.

To six three years' men mustered in and credited on said town's quota under the call of December 19th, 1864, as $450, $2700. Received pay.

(Signed) LEWIS TIBBETTS.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

E.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Augusta, February 21st, 1865.

$1500. Received of Thomas Marr, Jr., fifteen hundred dollars to get volunteers for the town of Southport.

(Signed) LEWIS TIBBETTS.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

NORTH BERWICK.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of HAVEN A. BUTLER, pages 111.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Provost Marshal's Office, —— District, State of Maine,
October 19, 1864.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of North Berwick (sub district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine: A. C. Lewis, John Horne, George Gilmore, Lewis A. Horton. Mustered in for three years. Four persons in all.

(Signed) CHARLES H. DOUGHTY,
Capt. and Prov. Marshal, —— District, Mustering Officer.

Endorsement on the foregoing document "A."

Received of H. A. Butler five hundred dollars for furnishing A. C. Lewis to said town of North Berwick, the same being received by balance due said Butler, October 11, 1864.

(Signed) T. H. HUBBARD.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Received of the town of North Berwick by Haven A. Butler, one of the committee of said town for filling the quota under the last call of the President of the United States, five hundred dollars per man for furnishing the following named recruits, credited to the town's quota, viz :

1. Michael Ready.....	Volunteer.	Mustered	for	three years.	September 13th.
2. John Keenan.....	"	"	"	"	13th.
3. Charles R. Thompson.....	Substitute.	"	"	"	13th.
4. John Butler.....	"	"	"	"	15th.
5. Charles Parker.....	"	"	"	"	20th.
6. John McDonald.....	"	"	"	"	20th.
7. A. C. Lewis.....	Navy Recruit.	"	"	October	19th.
8. John Horn.....	"	"	"	"	19th.
9. George Gilman.....	"	"	"	"	19th.
10. Lewis A. Horton.....	"	"	"	"	19th.
11. Lawrence Kelley.....	— Recruit.	"	"	September	14th.
12. John Harty.....	Substitute.	"	"	"	14th.
13. Ira Demmon.....	"	"	"	November	26th.
14. Edward Donelly.....	"	"	"	December	1st.
15. James Hudson.....	"	"	"	"	2d.

(Signed) T. H. HUBBARD.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 111.]

Provost Marshal's Office, First District, State of Maine,
Portland, October 14, 1864.

To the selectmen of No. Berwick:

Gentlemen—In addition to the "Town Certificates," we have recorded on our books the following names, they having shipped on board Receiving Ship Ohio, at Charlestown, Mass.:

1. A. C. Lewis,
2. John Horne,
3. George Gilman,
4. Lewis A. Horton.

They will be credited as soon as they are approved at Washington, which will be in a few days. Yours, Resp't,

C. H. Doughty,
Capt. and Pro. Marshal, 1st Dist., Maine.
By R. I. Hull, Clerk.

NEW PORTLAND.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of Warren P. Dyer, page 115.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 115.]

Augusta, December 24, 1864.

$4880. Received of Warren P. Dyer four thousand and eight hundred and eighty dollars for putting sixteen men to the quota of the town of New Portland.

(Signed,) Colby & Pike.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

B.

[*Referred to, pages* 114 *and* 115.]

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., December 24, 1864.

The following credits have been received at this office, and will be allowed to the town of New Portland: Eight three years' men, U. S. Marine Corps; Eight one year's men, U. S. Marine Corps.

(Signed) A. K. Dennison, Clerk in charge of Credits.

THOMASTON.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of Joseph H. Jacobs, page 115.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 116.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 14, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Thomaston: W. H. Bichop, Wm. Clements, Joseph Conant, L. F. Dodge, H. Dexter, J. Eddy, G. L. Fisher, P. Galvin, W. Howard, T. Kenan. Three years' men. Ten in number.

(Signed) R. M. Littler,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Supt. Vol. Rect'g Service.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 116.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 17th, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the qucta of Thomaston: E. T. Craine, R. Dunham, Charles McCarthy—for three years. Three in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Supt. Vol. Rect'g Serviec.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 116.]

Augusta, January 17, 1865.

$1260. Received of J. H. Jacobs twelve hundred and sixty dollars in full for town bounty for three men placed to the credit of Thomaston for three years.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.] (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 116.]

Augusta, January 17, 1865.

$4,300. Received of J. H. Jacobs forty-three hundred dollars, being town bounty for ten men assigned to Thomaston.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Rev. Stamp.] (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 116.]

Received, Augusta, January 17, 1865, of J. H. Jacobs, two hundred and ninety dollars for thirteen men furnished for quota of town of Thomaston by J. H. Manley, as per agreement with us at four hundred and fifty dollars per man.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] JOHN WATTS & Co.
By R. R. Wall.

WARREN.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of MOSES R. MATHEWS, page 116.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Received of M. R. Mathews, chairman selectmen of the town of Warren ($4,700) four thousand seven hundred dollars, in part pay for furnishing fifteen men to count on the quota of Warren under the call of December, 1864, for three hundred thousand men, said men to be furnished for four hundred and thirty dollars a man, for three years, leaving a balance due C. T. Bean of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars.

Warren, February 3, 1865. (Signed) C. T. BEAN.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Warren, February 7, 1865.

Received of M. R. Mathews, chairman board selectmen of Warren, seventeen hundred and fifty dollars ($1750) being balance due me for furnishing fifteen (15) men to count on the quota of Warren under the call of December 19, 1864, for three hundred thousand men. (Signed) C. T. Bean.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

C.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 27, 1865.

The following names have been credited to the town of Warren, under date of January 26th, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Isaac Wood	3 years.	George W. Wheeler	3 years.
Henry C. Winger	do.	James H. Stevens	do.
Daniel Connors	do.	Walter C. Clare	do.
James Cavanaugh	do.	James Medcalf	do.
James B. Fowler	do.	Richard Fairclaugh	do.
John Fitzgerald	do.	Charles Gilligan	do.
James Shaw	do.	Charles J. O. Hagan	do.

I certify that the above names have been credited to the town of Warren.

(Signed) Jos. T. Woodward, Commissioner.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Lewiston, Febraary 18, 1865.

Friend Mathews:—You recollect that January 25 I agreed with C. T. Bean to put 15 men on your town's quota, and was to be paid the next week. I left it with Capt. Cochrane to give receipt for money in case I was absent. I went to Augusta three times when Bean was expected and did not find him. I was there yesterday, and was informed that he was there the day before and only paid some $3000, saying that he should pay the rest when I filled my contract, which he says was to fill your quota. I have never seen him since I saw you, nor have I had any communication with him, and you know that I only agreed to put 15 men on your quota—would have put more on at the time if you would have had them. My object in writing you is to inquire if you want the men; if you do not I shall re-assign them as soon as I hear from you. I can get $650 per man. Please tell the bearer, Esq. Knowlton, whether you want the men or not.

Yours in haste,

(Signed) Z. R. Wright.

(On the bottom in pencil was the following):

C. T. Bean,—Please pay A. K. P. Knowlton $375 and he will give you receipt in part for 15 men put on town quota.

(Signed in pencil) Z. R. Wright.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Augusta, Me, May 21, 1865.

Gentlemen:—I beg leave to call your attention to a matter connected with the filling of your last quota. When your agent, C. T. Bean, was here last winter he arranged for fifteen men of the United States Marine Corps for your quota—the arrangement being made with a Mr. Wright—but with the understanding that I was to furnish the men, I having the control of those credits. They were bona fide credits, and represented live men, the papers being officially endorsed in Washington and approved by the State authorities, as well as by Maj. Littler, A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine. I furnished the men, and they were duly credited to Warren for three years. I was to receive $400 per man, Mr. Wright to have $35 each, making in all for Bean to pay $435. Subsequently, while I was sick, Bean came to Augusta and settled with one O. V. Higgins, a man whom Bean never saw or heard of until long after the men were credited, and who was not a party to the contract, and had no right to settle for the men in any way. The amount paid to Higgins per man was $230, Higgins giving a receipt for it. Bean now refuses to pay the balance, although I understand that the town paid him enough to leave him a profit above the $435 he agreed to pay. So you see that the honest Bean put $3075 into his own pocket besides what the town paid him as agent. I have consulted good counsel and am informed that inasmuch as Bean was acting as an agent for the town for a specified purpose, the town can be held responsible for the acts of such agent, and that Bean, can be put through as a *swindler*. It is certain that all he received above the $230 he swindled out of somebody, either the town or myself. Before commencing any action in the case I thought proper to acquaint you with the facts, all of which can be proven, so that, if possible, you might have a chance to compel Bean to disgorge a part, if not all, of his ill-gotten gains.

Trusting that you will take some action in the matter,

I remain, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) G. P. Cochrane.

To the selectmen of Warren.

F.

[*Referred to, page* 117.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, April 18, 1865.

To selectmen of Warren:

Gentlemen,—I have the honor to inform you that R. J. Chapman has been credited on the quota of Warren instead of Henry A. Davis. I have the names of fifteen men who have been sworn in on the quota of Warren, and when they are finally mustered the quota of said town will be full.

I am, gentlemen, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) Jos. T. Woodward,
Commissioner in charge.

PITTSFIELD.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of H. B. CONNOR, page 118.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 118.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 17, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Pittsfield, 3d District. James Andre, J. Burns, John Bryan, W. R. Carey, W. H. Case, M. O. Donnell, George S. Davis, J. Evans, E. Faithful, G. Goldsmith, J. T. Hemar, Patrick Keen, J. D. Lefton. Three years' men. 13 in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

Michael Larkin, January 19, 1865; Frederick N. Donaldson, January 19, 1865; Patrick Mehan.

Received of the town of Pittsfield by the hand of Hiram B. Connor, for furnishing the (13) thirteen within named volunteers on the quota of Pittsfield, with the three above named volunteers, making in all sixteen in number, on the call of the President for three hundred thousand additional men of December, 1864, seven thousand and two hundred dollars. $7,200.00.

(Signed) D. H. BROWN.

January 23, 1865.

TEMPLE.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of S. F. SMALL, page 118.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 119.]

Lewiston, Me., August 31, 1864.

Received—S. F. Small, four thousand dollars for ten men put upon the quota of Temple under the call of the President of July 18, 1864.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY & Co.

[Two 1 ct. U. S. I. Rev. Stamps.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 120.]

Auburn, January 17, 1865.

Received of the selectmen of Temple, by the hand of Samuel F. Small, seven hundred and fifty dollars for two men credited to the quota of said town for three years.

$750. (Signed) G. M. DELANY & Co.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.]

C.

[*Referred to, page* 120.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 14, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Temple, Second District. J. O. Brown, Daniel Capron. Three years' men. Two in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

Provost Marshal's Office.—Auburn, January 17, 1865.

The within names have been received at this office.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Prov. Mar., 2d Dist., Maine.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 120.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Second Dist. of Maine,
Auburn, February 15, 1865.

I certify that it appears by the records of this office that the quota of Temple under call of December 19, 1864, is full.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Pro. Mar., 2d Dist. of Maine.

MEXICO.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of JOHN LARRABEE, page 121.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 121.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District of Maine,
January 11, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of Mexico, (sub district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

Names.	Recruits for which Reg't.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
John Forward	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
Henry N. Thompson	do.	do.	do.
Henry Jefery	do.	do.	do.
Phillip Wright	do.	do.	do.

Four persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Prov. Marshal, 2d Dist., Mustering Officer.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 121.]

Auburn, January 20, 1865.

Received of Mr. John Larrabee of Mexico, the sum of eighteen hundred dollars ($1800) in full for four volunteers mustered into the United States service for three years and credited to the quota of said Mexico.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

[2 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

STOW.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ALFRED A. EASTMAN of Chatham, N. H., page 125.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 126.]

Return of persons residents or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Stow who are in the service of the United States navy.

Names.	Age.	Married or Single.	Occupation when enlisted.	Where enlisted.	In what vessel comme'cd service or now serving.	Remarks
Nathaniel W. Silloway..	27	Single.	Carpenter.	Portland, Me	R. S. Ohio.	
Varney Kenney	22	do.	Laborer.	do.	do.	
J. Hill	27	do.	do.	do.	do.	

We, the municipal officers of the town of Stow, do certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief this return presents a correct exhibit of the enlisted seamen in the United States from the said town of Stow.

(Signed) JAMES A. BEMIS, } Selectmen of town of Stow.
Stow, Aug. 6, 1864. ALFRED A. EASTMAN, }

B.

[*Referred to, page* 126.]

Return of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Stow who are in the service in the United States navy.

Names.	Age.	Married or Single.	Occupation when enlisted.	Where enlisted.	In what vessel comme'cd service or now serving.	Remarks.
J. F. Salvador.....	28	Single.	Cooper.	Portland, Me	R. S. Ohio.	
M. Sullivan	23	do.	Laborer.	do.	do.	

We, the municipal officers of the town of Stow, do certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief this return presents a correct exhibit of the enlisted seamen in service of the United States from the said town of Stow.

(Signed) JAMES A. BEMIS, } Selectmen of Stow.
(Signed) A. A. EASTMAN, }

C.

[*Referred to, page* 126.]

Augusta, Me., August 13, 1864.

Selectmen of Stow:

Gents,—I send you by mail a duplicate of the names and numbers of the men that we have put in on your town's quota, and they have been credited at the Provost Marshal's office to your town, and we have received nine hundred dollars for the men. This duplicate you will want to keep for your own use. Yours with respects,

(Signed) G. M. DELANY & Co.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 126.]

Office Act'g Ass't Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 14, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Stow, Second District: L. Thaxter, J. Blackwell, F. Daily. Three years' men. Three in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General and Supt. Vol. Rect'g Service.

Provost Marshal's Office, Auburn, January 17, 1865.

The within names have been received at this office.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL,
Capt. and Provost Marshal 2d District of Maine.

UNION.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of DANFORD CARROLL, page 126.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 127.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 18, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Union: John A. Lewis, Wilder McMitchell, Philip Manning, E. L. Noyes, W. Sexton, T. Sullivan, J. Cass, T. Caldwell, Dennis Driscoll, John Desmond, A. Frazeir, Albert N. Greene, C. T. Harkins, I. Irvine—for three years. 14 in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Prov. Mar. General and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

VASSALBORO'.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ORRICK HAWES, page 127.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 127.]

Vassalboro', January 14, 1865.

Received of the selectmen of the town of Vassalboro', six thousand two hundred sixty-nine dollars ($6,269.00) and town order for six thousand seven hundred and thirty-one ($6,731.00), and town order for five hundred dollars ($500.00) on account of money advanced for men, thirty in number, to fill the quota of said town under the late call for 300,000 men.

[2 ct. U. S. I. R. Stamp.] (Signed) IRA D. STURGIS.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 128.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 9, 1865.

List of names credited to the town of Vassalboro' under date of January 5, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Argus Peters	3 years.	William M. Smith	3 years.
John Ford	do.	George N. Auger	do.
John Tyler	do.	George W. Brandfield	do.
James Alexander	do.	Jere C. Gregg	do.
Jacob Beck	do.	Theodore R. Harris	do.
Joseph Eckert	do.	Absalom N. Ingersoll	do.
Erastus Tilley	do.	William J. Johnston	do.
Charles Williams	do.	Joseph L. Peasley	do.
Andrew Coffee	do.	Alexander Grant	do.
John Brown	do.	James McClure	do.
Patrick Barry	do.	James Brown	do.
Richard S. Dolly	do.	Preston Cannard	do.
William Kelley	do.	William Gibbons	do.
Charles A. Stevens	do.	Ashley Hendrick	do.
Miles M. Oriatt	do.	John Kremer	do.

I certify that the above list is correct, and that the above named persons are credited to the town of Vassalboro'.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

PARSONSFIELD.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of JOHN BRACKETT, 2D, page 128.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 129.]

Provost Marshal's Office, First District, State of Maine,
Portland, October 20, 1864.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of Parsonsfield, (sub district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine: James Mayhew, Geo. W. Stanley, Sylvester Robinson, Thomas Gray, John McCoffer, Charles Perkins, Bryan McDermott, Joseph Miller, Stephen Boreman, John Flowers. Mustered in for three years. Ten persons in all.

(Signed) CHARLES H. DOUGHTY,
Capt. and Prov. Marshal, 1st District, Mustering Officer.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 129.]

Provost Marshal's Office, First District, State of Maine,
Portland, October 20, 1864.

[3 cent U. S. Int. Rev. Stamp.]

Received of the town of Parsonsfield four thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars, per hand of John Brackett, Esq., in full for ten men furnished said town as per agreement with said Brackett & Pendexter. $4,850.00.

(Signed) JOHN N. STIMSON.

WALES.

Pages 134 and 140. Papers annexed to the Deposition of Otis W. Fabyan, page 134.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 135.]

Augusta, August 4, 1864.

I, G. M. Delany, do agree with Otis W. Faban of Wales to put five men on his town of Wales for the sum of four hundred dollars, eighty dollars per man, to put on before first day of September, 1864. We agree to the above.

(Signed) G. M. Delany,
" O. K. Yates.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 135.]

Augusta, August 27, 1864.

Mr. Faban or Small, please pay to Frank Davis the full premium for five men $2,000 dollars; it will be the same as if you paid it to me. He is one of the company.

Yours, (Signed) G. M. Delany,
" O. K. Yates,
" F. Davis.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] Lewiston, August 29, 1864.

Received—Otis W. Fabyan twelve hundred dollars in full payment for three men procured by me, and put upon the quota of the town of Wales. Men in the navy, their names now in the Provost Marshal's at Lewiston. Also, if they should be claimed by any other town we agree to put men in their place or refund the money.

(Signed) G. M. Delany & Co.
Witness, (Signed) B. Turner. Per Davis.

WALDOBORO'.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of S. W. Jackson, page 136.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 136.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 17, 1864.

Col. Farwell,—The ten (10) men furnished by you for the town of Waldoboro' are duly credited upon its quota for present call.

(Signed) John L. Hodsdon, Adj. General.

Received of S. W. Jackson fifty-six hundred twenty-five dollars in full for the above ten men.

[2 cent U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) J. H. Manley.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 136.]

Augusta, September 22, 1864.

Received of S. W. Jackson ten hundred and fifty dollars for three men assigned to the quota of Waldoboro'.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 136.]

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 21, 1864.

This certifies that three (3) men not heretofore credited to the town of Waldoboro' have this day been credited to that town on the records of this office, and will be included in the report of credits from this office to the Provost Marshal of the District to-night.

(Signed) W. H. FOGLER, Capt. and Inspector.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 137.]

Augusta, September 24, 1864.

Received of S. W. Jackson eight hundred dollars for two one year's men, credited this day to Waldoboro'. (Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 137.]

Augusta, September 24, 1864.

Received of S. W. Jackson eleven hundred and fifty dollars for two three years' men, credited this day to Waldoboro'. (Signed) A. B. FARWELL,

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] By J H. Manley.

F.

[*Referred to, page* 137.]

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 24, 1864.

This certifies that four additional credits not heretofore allowed, are credited to Waldoboro', and will be so reported to the Provost Marshal of the District in the report of credits from this office to-day. (Signed) W. H. FOGLER,

Capt. and Inspector to A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen. of Maine.

H.

[*Referred to, page* 137.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 27, 1864.

This certifies that six men not heretofore credited to Waldoboro', 3d Cong. District, have been this day credited to that town on the records of this office and will be so reported on the statement of credits to the Provost Marshal of the District to-day.

(Signed) W. H. FOGLER, Capt. and Inspector.

G.

[*Referred to, page* 137.]

Received, September 27, 1864, for the above men three thousand six hundred dollars paid by M. M. Rawson. (Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

I.

[*Referred to, page* 138.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, December 22, 1864.

I certify that there has been this day received and credited to the town of Waldoboro' (20) twenty men.

(Signed) Jos. T. Woodward, Commissioner.

J.

[*Referred to, page* 138.]

Augusta, December 27, 1864.

$6,000. Received of Samuel W. Jackson, one of the selectmen of the town of Waldoboro', six (6) thousand dollars in payment of twenty men placed upon the quota of said town. (Signed) Colby & Pike.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

K.

[*Referred to, page* 138.]

The following General Credits of the State of Maine in the United States Marine Corps are credited to the following towns:

Names.	What service.	Period.	Quota of.
William Parker	Marine Corps.	3 years.	Waldoboro'.
William H. Batts	do.	do.	do.
Edward Prince	do.	do.	do.
Walter Sniffins	do.	do.	do.
Patrick Lynch	do.	do.	do.
Alex. Logan	do.	do.	do.
John Sutton	do.	do.	do.
Franklin Evans	do.	do.	do.
Charles J. Grimes	do.	do.	dd.
Calvin Munger	do.	do.	do.
James Benney	do.	do.	do.
Charles B. Blanderbilla	do.	do.	do.
Jerry Brett	do.	1 year.	do.
Charles Fisher	do.	do.	do.
William H. Oakes	do.	do.	do.
Henry Busher	do.	do.	do.
Daniel Boyd	do.	do.	do.
G. W. Henois	do.	do.	do.
John Hoban	do.	do.	do.
James Bradley	do.	do.	do.

WESTPORT.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of James McCarty, page 138.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 139.]

Augusta, June 29, 1864.

Received of the town of Westport, by hand of James McCarty, Jr., one of the selectmen of said town, five hundred and ten dollars for the following named in men in

navy of United States, to go upon the quota of said town of Westport, viz: George C. Arnold, Wm. H. Manuel, John Lee, John Murphy, Frank Jones, George W. Sawtelle; and I hereby agree that should any of the above named men be claimed by any other town or state and held legally by said claimants, to refund to said town of Westport the above sum of five hundred and ten dollars, or in that proportion for any one of said men so claimed and held.

(Signed) , GEO. M. DELANY.

Augusta, June 29, 1864.

JEFFERSON.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of ARTELL HALL of Newcastle, page 141.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 141.]

Augusta, September 9, 1864.

Received of the town of Jefferson, by the hands of Artell Hall, Esq., 4600, forty-six hundred dollars, in full for twelve men quotaed on said town of Jefferson.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY.

" O. K. YATES.

P. S.—If the said men do not answer on the quota under the last call of the President for 500,000 men, I, G. M. Delany and O. K. Yates, will pay back to said town of Jefferson the amount of money pay to us by said town, or in proportion for whatever men is claimed.

Given at Augusta September 9th, 1864.

(Signed) GEO. M. DELANY.

" O. K. YATES.

Witness—Artell Hall.

[Five cent U. S. Int. Stamps cancelled.]

MANCHESTER.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of SULLIVAN KILBRETH, page 143.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 143.]

Augusta, August 15, 1864.

Received of the selectmen of the town of Manchester, pay in full for the following named men, quota on the said town of Manchester: J. Benson, J. Bennett, John Cavaley, Hugh Dunford, W. R. Daley, Peter Fellen, T. J. Sennet. Received twenty-one hundred dollars in full payment for the within named men.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY.

WISCASSET.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ISAAC H. COFFIN, page 145.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 145.]

Augusta, September 1, 1864.

$1,900. Received of the town of Wiscasset, by the hands of Isaac H. Coffin, nineteen hundred dollars in full payment for sixteen men put upon their town's quota.

(Signed) G. M. DELANY & Co.

[2 cent U. S. Stamp, cancelled.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 145.]

[2 ct. U. S. Stamp, cancelled.]

$300. Received of Isaac H. Coffin, selectman, three hundred dollars in (full) of men furnished towards the quota of the town of Wiscasset.

(Signed) I. W. REED.

Augusta, Sept. 17, 1864.

ANSON.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of ALBERT MOORE, page 147.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 147.]

Received of Albert Moore, for the town of Anson, seven thousand seven hundred dollars for putting in thirteen men on the quota of said Anson under the last call of the President, as follows: Wm. B. Cook, Frank Martin, George Marsh, Wm. A. Devine, Henry Davis, James Clapp, James Connell, Thomas Mullen, Hiram Colby, James Murphy, John Smith, Thomas Maugin and Richard Williams.

(Signed) GEORGE M. DELANY.

" O. K. YATES.

" FRANK DAVIS.

Augusta, October 12, 1864. [2 cent U. S. Int. Stamp, cancelled.]

B.

[*Referred to, page* 148.]

Augusta, January 12, 1865.

$2700. Received of Albert H. Moore, one of the selectmen of Anson, twenty-seven hundred dollars in payment for six three years' men quotaed upon said town.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) PIKE & COLBY.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 148.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 12, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Anson, under date of January 9, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
John Kelley	3 years.	Patrick Train	3 years.
Alfred A. Thatcher	do.	Andrew W. Anderson	do.
Edwin G. Hoyt	do.	George W. Brown	do.

I certify that the above names were credited to the town of Anson.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

WINSLOW.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of COLBY C. CORNISH, page 149.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 150.]

Provost Marshal's Office, Third District of Maine,
Augusta, January 10, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Winslow under date of January 9, 1865:

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
John B. Stanton	3 years.	Charles Seaman	3 years.
John Mahoney	do.	James M. Roche	do.
William Ring	do.	John Sheehan	do.
John I. Curtis	do.	Patrick McCabe	do.
John Cassidy	do.	Charles Forad	do.
Timothy Kelley	do.	Michael Kennedy	do.

I certify that the above is correct.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

I certify the above to be a true copy.

A. C. WALKER, Clerk of Com. of Investigation.

Augusta, Nov. 1, 1870.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 150.]

5,280 Augusta, January 10th, 1865.

Received of C. C. Cornish, one of the selectmen of the town of Winslow, five thousand two hundred and eighty dollars, for twelve three years' men placed upon the quota of the town of Winslow.

[2 ct. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) PIKE & COLBY.

Augusta, Nov. 1, 1870.

I certify the above to be a true copy.

A. C. WALKER, Clerk of Com. of Investigation.

WINTHROP.

Papers annexed to the Deposition of C. A. WING, page 154.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 154.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 8, 1864.

Col. Farwell,—The six men furnished by you for the town of Winthrop have been duly credited on the quota of that town under the present call.

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, A. Gen'l.

[2 cent U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

Received three thousand dollars for the above.

(Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

September 8, 1864.

B.

[*Referred to, page* 154.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 15, 1864.

Col. Farwell,—The three additional men presented by you for the quota of the town of Winthrop, have been duly credited to its quota upon the present call.

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj't Gen'l.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

Received of Col. Wing fifteen hundred dollars for above.

(Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

September 15, 1864.

C.

[*Referred to, page* 154.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 16, 1864.

Col. Farwell,—The two additional men furnished by you for Winthrop have been duly credited upon the quota of that town.

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, A. Gen'l.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

Received for above me (men?) one thousand dollars.

(Signed) A. B. FARWELL.

September 16, ——.

D.

[*Referred to, page* 155.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 15, 1864.

J. H. Manley, Esq.—The three men presented by you for the quota of the town of Winthrop under the present call have been duly credited that town upon the records of this office.

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj't Gen'l.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

Received of Charles A. Wing fifteen hundred dollars for the above three men.

(Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

E.

[*Referred to, page* 155.]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 20, 1864.

This certifies that four men not heretofore credited to the town of Winthrop, nor included in Gen. Hodsdon's Return to this office, have been this day credited to that town on the records of this office and will be included in the next report of credits from this office to the Provost Marshal of the District.

(Signed) W. H. FOGLER,
Capt. and Inspector to A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen. of Maine.

Augusta, September 21, 1864.

Received of Charles A. Wing sixteen hundred dollars for four men.

(Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled]

BRISTOL.

Paper annexed to the Deposition of ARNOLD BLANEY, page 158.

A.

[*Referred to, page* 160.]

PIKE, 2 years.

1. David Crossman,
2. Davis P. Smith,
3. Charles Michel,
4. Charles Morrison,
5. William Morton,
6. Charles Myers,
7. Seth Wood,
8. Hugh Carrigan,
9. Bernard Groves,
10. Frank McCullough,
11. John Shirley,
12. Patrick Scanlon,
13. Oliver Wallace.

APPENDIX C.

DEPOSITIONS OF BROKERS,

AND PAPERS ANNEXED THERETO.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, Sept. 28, 1870.

JOSIAH H. GREELY of China, sworn and examined.

By MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you furnish fifteen men to the officers of the town of Palermo to fill a quota of that town for 1864?

A. I will state what I did do. One of the selectmen of that town—O. C. Greely—came to me before the call was made—I forget what time—before the call was made, to know if I could get him some men in the event of a call. I told him if I had an opportunity I would do so. I had previously assisted to fill our town's quota—China. Some time during the summer of 1864 I met a man by the name of Norton, of Buxton, who wanted to know of me if I did not want some men for our town. He told me if I wanted some he could furnish them. He said he was somehow—I do not recollect how—connected with a United States government officer recruiting for the navy in Portland. I told him the officers of the town adjoining where I lived had spoken to me for some men, and I thought that they would like to get some. I don't remember all the conversation that was made at that time, but there was no trade made at that time. I went back in the course of a few days and saw O. C. Greely and told him the conversation which I had had with Mr. Norton. He wanted to know about how high the men would come to the town. I told him that after paying the man that I had had talk with, and what trouble it would be to me, it would come to about $200 per man. He expressed himself as satisfied with that, and said he would see the rest of the board. The result of the matter was that he afterwards told me that they would take the men. I don't know that the number was specified—think it was not. I afterwards met Mr. Norton in Augusta and told him that the town would take some men of him. We had considerable talk in regard to it. I recollect that during the talk with him he said that they had enlisted some men that were not assigned to any town, and that he could assign them to our town—Palermo. I told him that I

had rather have the men enlisted for our town, for I was afraid that if he assigned them, some other town would claim them, and I had rather he would enlist some men for the town which he knew were foreigners. He told me that he thought he could make arrangements with Mr. Heath to do so, and that as they were enlisting men every day it would make no difference. This is the substance of the talk that we had at that time. The next conversation that I remember that I had with him was in Portland. He took me to Mr. Heath's office in Portland. We had considerable talk in regard to the matter, and the result of it was that I told him to enlist about a dozen men for the quota of the town of Palermo. I think during this conversation there was something said in regard to the men which had been previously enlisted and were not assigned. I repeated to him in substance the conversation which I had with Norton. When we closed the trade, the agreement that I made was that I was not to pay them until the town of Palermo was satisfied that the men would count upon their quota, and would not be claimed by other towns, and would pay me, then I was to pay them. When I left Portland my understanding was that they were to give me some new men. Whether that was their understanding of the trade or not I do not know. I came back to China, and in a short time I had a letter from one of the parties, giving the names of two or three persons as credited on the quota of Palermo. I afterwards received other letters, I cannot tell how many; but the names were sent to me in as many as four letters I think. Shortly—sometime after—I will state, however, as I go on that those names as they were sent to me, were handed to Mr. Greely. Sometime after this a letter was received from the Adjutant General stating that one of these men was claimed by the city of Portland. By request of one of the selectmen I came to Augusta in regard to it, and made inquiries about the man of the Adjutant General, and am very positive that I found that man was enlisted for the town of Palermo by his enlisting papers. The result of the matter was that the man remained on the quota of Palermo. I don't recollect the man's name. Norton, through Heath, furnished thirteen men, I think, and gave me their names, and I think I gave them all to Mr. Greely.

Q. What did you pay for these men?

A. I think I paid Mr. Heath $80 per man and Mr. Norton $80 per man, making $160 per man.

Q. Did you or not receive $200 per man of the town of Palermo?

A. I did; the difference being for my trouble.

Q. Did you prepare a return of persons in Palermo in the United States navy and put in it the names of the thirteen men so purchased for the purpose of having it signed and certified by the selectmen of Palermo?

A. I do not remember whether I made it out or not.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Please look at this paper, dated August 1, 1864, and state if you made it out and handed it to said selectmen for their signatures, or either of them?

A. Well, that looks like my hand writing. I think the filling out of the paper is in my hand writing.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Are the names enumerated in said paper the names of persons known to you, and of residents of the town of Palermo?

A. I don't know that I ever saw one of them, nor were they residents of Palermo to my knowledge.

Q. Do you wish to make any explanation in reference to the preparing and delivery of said paper?

A. I do not remember of ever preparing or delivering it, but remember distinctly of seeing the blanks. The first knowledge I had of them was receiving these blanks from Mr. Norton, accompanied by a letter stating that in order to have these naval men credited, it was necessary for the selectmen to sign these blanks. I had never had anything to do with naval men before, and knew nothing of the requirements of the Adjutant General's office. I took the blanks to Mr. Greely. He expressed himself as unable to tell whether he ought to sign the blanks or not, and it was suggested to make enquiries of the Adjutant General or some of the clerks, or of the Governor, and Greely afterwards told me that he did call on one of them.

J. H. GREELY.

Augusta, Me., Tuesday, November 8, 1870.

George M. Delany of Augusta, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. 1. Were you employed as a broker in the purchase or sale of recruits during the war of the rebellion?

A. I was, sir.

Q. 2. Where was your office or place of business?

A. On Water street, Augusta.

Q. 3. Were you alone in such business, or had you a partner or partners? If yea, state their names.

A. I had partners a part of the time, and a part of the time I was alone. I had partners from August 27, 1864 to March 3, 1865; previous to that I was alone. My partners were O. K. Yates, formerly of Lewiston, Frank Davis of Augusta and Henry A. Williams of Monmouth. The style of the firm was G. M. Delany & Co.

Q. 4. Were any other persons, directly or indirectly, interested in your business? If so, give their names.

A. Several, sir. I have done business with men in Kittery. Their firm style was Perkins & Co., New England Substitute Brokers. I have done business with J. P. Heath of Portland, and with J. H. Manley of Augusta. I have done business with Littler when he was in the Provost Marshal's office here, and with Henry A. Williams when he was Commissioner of Enrolment, and with Capt. Charles Holmes when he was mustering officer and paymaster. My business with the firm in Kittery was sending men to be enlisted in the navy,

and when they were enlisted the certificate would be sent back to me and we would divide the profits, which were sometimes as high as two or three hundred dollars. I have made as high as $300 on a certificate of credit of a man—sometimes not more than $25, and sometimes I have lost on them. I have received men from Major Littler that went to him to enquire about enlisting, and he returned them to me with a letter and I enlisted them, quotaed them, deposited the amount of the contract with the men with the mustering officer, and sold the credit to some town and divided the profits with Major Littler. I cannot tell how much I have paid Littler, but perhaps from two thousand dollars to five thousand dollars, while he was here. Manley's business with me was for the most part for collecting premiums for recruits from government, and for swearing in men as Justice of the Peace. Manley had a commission of from five to ten per cent., I don't remember exactly. This was all the business I had with him, except I bought six navy men of him at one time. Sometimes I would come here on the train with a hundred men or more after office hours, and I would prevail on Capt. Holmes to muster them for me and I would pay him for it. I paid him in all somewhere in the neighborhood of $1,500 or $2,000.

Q. 5. Was there any person or corporation that furnished you at any time with money or credit in the business, or to whom you were authorized to refer?

A. No, sir. I have borrowed money on my own individual credit of the Granite Bank, with which I was a depositor—large amounts.

Q. 6. Did you furnish men to the officers of the town of China, to be allowed on the quotas of that town under any of the calls of 1864? If yea, how many, and with what person did you negotiate?

A. I think I did, sir. I think I furnished fifteen men for them on one call if [I] remember right. I think I negotiated with Mr. A. H. Abbot, and there was another man who used to come with him—I don't remember his name. I think I let them have men under two calls—I think some navy men and some recruits. I cannot now name the navy men; I have had a list of them. I received the list from the mustering officer on board the Receiving Ship Ohio in Boston harbor. I think there were eight or ten of the navy men.

Q. 7. Did you, or your firm, or any person in your employ, enlist, or cause to be enlisted, either or all of said men? If so, state their names, when and where you did so, into what service—naval or military—and what sum you expended in all therefor.

A. No, sir, I did not enlist them, and they were not enlisted by my agents. They were enlisted for no town in particular.

Q. 8. If you did not enlist them, when, how, and where did you obtain them?

A. I made a contract with J. P. Heath for all the men that he enlisted in Portland, for $30 each. I had all the men that he enlisted until I was arrested. I stopped buying them on the first of January, 1865.

Q. 9. Did you advance any money to said men, or either of them, as bounty or for any other purpose? If yea, state how much you paid to each, when and where you paid it, personally or through your agents, and with whom you negotiated for such payment.

A. I did, sir. I paid a hundred dollars to each man. A part of it I paid

in Portland to J. P. Heath, and a part of it on board the Receiving Ship Ohio, in Boston harbor, at various times. I paid some on board the ship Sabine. I am speaking, generally, of all the navy men I sold. I can't remember particularly about the China men. I paid to the men in person at Portland. What I paid in Boston was deposited with the mustering officer on board the ship. As to all those men that enlisted for me in Portland, I made the bargain with the men themselves; and there was a lot of men that enlisted in Portland that went to Boston before I ever saw them; and for those men I deposited the money with the mustering officer on receiving his certificate.

Q. 10. Did you ever pay, or agree to pay, any money or compensation or equivalent of any kind to any person or persons for these men? If so, state to whom, where, when and how.

A. I can't separate those men from the rest of them. As I told you before, I paid the men $100 apiece, and $30 to J. P. Heath for enlisting them. I had two hundred and eleven of those men in all, and of course I can't pick those men out of the number.

Q. Did you ever receive any writing or power of attorney from either or all of said men authorizing you to transfer or assign them or their services to any person or any town in this State? If yea, annex it if you have it, and if not, state its terms, date and signature.

A. I did, sir, but not from the men themselves. I received a power of attorney from the War Department, sir. I mean to say I received an order from the War Department to assign those men to sub-districts and towns in the State of Maine. I had to deliver it to General Hodsdon before the men were assigned. I can't recollect the terms of the order. It purported to be signed by Provost Marshal General Fry. It came to Major Gardiner, and he gave it to me to carry to General Hodsdon's office. I procured one hundred and one of those navy men before anybody here knew anything about it. I found there was a good chance, and J. P. Heath was enlisting them, and I made a contract with him to let me have all those men—aliens, foreigners, didn't have no [any] residence in the State—to let me have them, and I was to give him $30 apiece for them after they were allowed on quotas here at the Provost Marshal's office, and $100 apiece to the men. I got one hundred and one mustering-in certificates of those men from Heath and the mustering officer on board the Receiving Ship Ohio. I brought those to General Hodsdon to be quotaed on various towns. He wouldn't allow them to be quotaed without authority from Washington, and I procured that order from Fry that I spoke about, by writing.

Q. To whom in Washington did you write to procure General Fry's order?

A. I couldn't answer that, Mr. Talbot; I decline to answer that. I refuse to answer that question. He was not and never has been a resident of or citizen of the State of Maine, and was never in it to my knowledge.

Q. Do you know, or have you any reason to believe, that any pecuniary inducements were used to procure that order?

A. Yes, sir, I have.

Q. Did you expend or cause to be expended, or know or believe that any person expended any money to facilitate the procurement of said order?

A. I think there was. I did.

Q. How much money did you expend to procure said order?

A. Three thousand dollars.

Q. To whom did you appropriate the money and order it paid?

A. I appropriated it to the person that I sent on there for the purpose of getting the order. He got the order and that was all I required.

Q. Was the order sent to you and delivered to you personally?

A. No, sir. It came to the Provost Marshal General of this State. Major Gardiner, I think, was then Provost Marshal General of the State.

Q. Did any parties contribute any portion of this $3,000, or reimburse you any portion of it?

A. No, sir. No person knew anything about it but myself and the agent that I employed.

Q. When was this fund sent on?

A. It was sent on the second or third of August, 1864. It was sent by a messenger—three $1000 bills.

Q. What reason had you to believe that the $3,000 would aid in the procurement of that order?

A. I was so advised by the person to whom I applied to procure the order, and I sent the money pursuant to his advice.

Q. Have you any personal knowledge of said men? Did you ever see them, or of your own knowledge know that they were in the service of the United States, or in existence?

A. Yes, sir. I did know that they entered the service. I saw them on board the Receiving Ship Ohio. They were among the first lot of 101. I looked since this morning.

Q. What in all did said men cost you in money or other equivalent paid to them or other persons?

A. They cost me $130 apiece, but that amount does not include the $3,000 for the order, or the expense of having their names copied several times and the expense of getting them quotaed to towns. I think they cost me $200 per man. After I got them credited on the Provost Marshal's books, General Hodsdon wouldn't credit them on his books until I got their enlistment papers. He went to work and got a form to have them enroled, and I had to have them enroled on those old-fashioned militia rolls, and have them certified by the towns. I had to go to work and quota them on each of their enlistment papers before the selectmen of the towns would certify that they were residents, and before General Hodsdon would issue certificates that they were credited.

Q. Do you know or have you reason to believe that any money, as bounty or otherwise, was paid or agreed to be paid to any recruiting or other officer in the civil, military or naval service of the United States or in this State, or any other person, on account of the transfer or assignment of said men? If so, how much, to whom, and when?

A. Well, I have got an opinion about that. I have already told you that I paid Heath $30, and $3,000 to procure an order. There were some of the towns that I gave a bonus to for getting their certificates that they were enrolled. I gave from ten to fifteen dollars per man. China was not one of such

towns. I never paid General Hodsdon any money. I offered him money and he would not take it, and told me never to offer him any again. I paid the quartermaster here—Dodge, William S. Dodge—$300 for getting me towns to fill their quotas, and Capt. Holmes and Major Littler, as I previously stated.

Q. What did you receive for the men sold to China?

A. I think I received $100 per man.

Q. Look at that paper, and see if your signature appears thereon, (handing witness a paper marked "A," and which is annexed to the deposition of Nathan Redlon of China.) [See page 185.]

A. No, sir, it is not signed by me. I think John Snow, who was my clerk, signed it. I have no doubt now that I received $200 for each of the men which I sold to the officers of China.

Q. Did you sell five men to the town of Concord in this State?

A. I think I did, sir.

Q. What did you get for them?

A. I think I got $400 or $500 apiece.

Q. Did the selectmen of Concord have a bonus out of the amount for which you gave a receipt? Was the $5,400 for which the receipt is given paid to you for the men, or was a portion of it paid to the selectmen as a bonus?

Q. There was $4,600, or thereabouts, paid me for the men. Felker, who procured the receipt, went to one of my partners and got the receipt for $5,400 without my knowledge, and I had him stopped at the depot, and he acknowledged before myself and the Deputy Provost Marshal, Libby, that he paid only $4,600 or thereabouts. He said he wanted the receipt to show to the officers of the town, and said it would make no difference to us, and he would send me the receipt by mail the next day, but I have never seen it until this day.

Q. Did you furnish some navy men to the town of Damariscotta, and if so, how many, and what did you get per man?

A. I sold some navy men to Damariscotta, eight I think; and I think I received $175 or $200 per man. The trade was not made with Mr. Huston; it was made with a Mr. Stetson. I never sold one of those men so low as $60. The receipt which Mr. Huston left with you must have been for the balance which was due me for the men.

Q. Did you sell a number of these men to the town of Edgecomb; if so, how many, and with whom did you negotiate?

A. I sold some men to the town of Edgecomb. I negotiated with Capt. Thomas Cunningham. I do not recollect how many of the men I sold him, or what he paid me per man.

Q. Did you sell two men to the town of Embden?

A. I sold some men to the town of Embden. I do not recollect whether I sold them navy men or not.

Q. Did you sell some navy men to the town of Greenwood?

A. I think I sold some men there, sir,—don't recollect how many or what price.

Q. Did you sell some navy men to the town of Hartford?

A. I don't recollect.

Q. Did you sell some navy men to the town of Jefferson?

A. I did, sir. I think I sold Artell Hall some ten or fifteen men. I don't recollect what he paid me for them. I now think I received $4,600 for twelve men.

Q. Did you sell ten navy men to the town of Litchfield?

A. Yes, sir. I sold Colby ten navy men for $100 apiece. At the time I traded with him there was no town premium, and I had to pay only the $30 to Heath for enlisting. I think the trade with Colby for Litchfield was in April, 1864.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, Nov. 9, 1870.

GEORGE M. DELANY appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Do you remember of selling some navy men to the town of Manchester, and if so, how many, and what did you get for them?

A. I did sell some to the town of Manchester. I think I negotiated with Sullivan Kilbreth for six or eight men at $300 each, and I gave a receipt for the money paid. It was paid in silver.

Q. Did you sell some navy men to the town of Porter, and if so, how many, and what did you get for them?

A. I did, sir; fourteen, I think, for $400 each. The money was paid by Moses S. Moulton, but the trade was made with a Capt. Stanley of Porter.

Q. Did you supply a few men to the town of Richmond?

A. I sent T. J. Southard of Richmond eight men, and the selectmen wouldn't sign the certificate that they, the men, resided there, and returned it to me, saying that they did not reside there. This was written on the paper. Then I mustered four men and put them on to the quota of Richmond at Lewiston. These were recruits, real men that I carried with me to Lewiston. It was the day of the Senatorial Convention for 1864 for Sagadahoc county. Southard was to give me $300 apiece for the men. I think Mr. Colby might have sold the four navy men to Richmond, for I sold him some of them from time to time.

Q. Did you sell some of the same class of men to the town of Smithfield, and if so, how many and for what price?

A. I think I did, sir, sell that town three men, for $425 apiece.

Q. Did you sell the town of Stow some of the same class of men, and if so, how many, and what did you get for them?

A. I think I did, sir; five men for $1,500.

Q. Did you sell ten of this class of men to the town of Temple?

A. I did, sir, sell them ten men for $400 apiece.

Q. Did you sell of this class of men to Unity? If so, how many and for what price?

A. I did, sir, sell some of this class to the town of Unity. Ten men, perhaps for $4,450.

Q. Did you sell some of this class of men to the town of Vassalboro'?

A. No, sir, I did not. I sold some to Dr. Barrows, and I think he put them on to the town of Vassalboro'. I think I got $200 apiece for them. There was [were] four or five of them.

Q. Did you sell some of this class to the town of Wales?

A. I think I did sell three or four of them. The trade was with Mr. Small, I think, and the price was $400 apiece.

Q. Did you sell some of this class of men to the town of Webster?

A. I have no recollection of doing so. My partner, Mr. Yates, might have done so.

Q. Did you sell some of this class of men to the town of Westport?

A. Yes, sir, I think I did sell that town six men for $510. This was early, when I had to pay only $30 apiece for the men. It was in April, 1864, I think.

Q. Did you sell a lot of this class of men to Wiscasset?

A. Yes, sir. I sold Isaac H. Coffin, for Wiscasset, sixteen men for a little over a hundred dollars apiece, I think. I received $1900 for the sixteen men.

Q. Did you sell the town of Bristol ten of this class of men?

A. Yes, sir, I did; for $450 apiece.

Q. Besides these direct sales to towns, did you or not sell to brokers some of this class for them to sell out to towns?

A. I did sell a few, perhaps twenty in all, of this class of men to James Colby, J. H. Manley, and one or two others.

Q. Did you have the whole control of all the men enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio?

A. I contracted for all the men enlisted by J. P. Heath at Portland, as I have before stated. I could not say that I had all the men enlisted on board that ship.

Q. Were there not ten of the men enlisted on board of the ship Ohio that were sold to T. M. Stevens of Pittston?

A. I let Mr. Stevens have ten of these men, and he put them on to the town of Alna. I think I charged him but $50 apiece for them. He was at work for me and I let him have them cheap.

Q. Do you know of John P. Heath's selling twelve of these men to the town of Cumberland?

A. I know of John P. Heath's selling twelve of them to John Osgood, who sold them to that town, I suppose.

Q. Did Thomas M. Stevens have some of these men of you for the town of Pittston?

A. He had some of them of me at various times.

Q. Did A. D. Merrow have some of these men of you?

A. No, sir, I think not.

Q. Please explain what you know relative to men furnished to the town of Mercer by A. B. Farwell.

A. I found men in the Provost Marshal's office credited to the town of Mercer, of the same name, same date and term of enlistment as men that I put on to the town of Newcastle previously. I don't know who sold them to Mercer,

or anything about it. I got pay from the town of Newcastle for the men that I put on to that town's quota.

Q. Do you know anything of twelve men claimed to have been enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio and sold to the town of Norridgewock by A. B. Farwell?

A. No, sir, I don't. A. B. Farwell never had any of those navy men of me, nor to my knowledge did he have any of J. P. Heath, or any of the men that enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio.

Q. Did T. H. Hubbard have men that were enlisted or recruited on board the Receiving Ship Ohio?

A. Yes, sir, he did. He had some men of J. P. Heath. Heath telegraphed me that he was going to let him have some of them, three or four I think.

Q. Did T. H. Hubbard and John N. Stimson have some of those Ohio men?

A. I furnished some of those men which were put on the quota of Parsonsfield, and Hubbard and Stimson only had a commission out of it.

Q. Did Josiah H. Greely have fifteen of these Ohio men which were put on the quota of the town of Palermo?

A. He had some of those men of Yates, my partner.

Q. Did I. W. Reed have some of your men which went to the town of Wiscasset?

A. I put some of them on to the quota of Wiscasset myself, and Reed had a commission out of it.

Q. Did you furnish any other towns besides those of which you have testified; and if so, what towns, and about how many of this class of men?

A. I furnished 412 of those navy men in all; and besides the towns named I furnished some of those men to the towns of Newcastle, Oxford, Monmouth, and other towns the names of which I do not remember.

Q. Did you have in your possession, or ever see or deliver to any officer, any mustering-in rolls for these 412 men? If yea, state all you know about such papers.

A. I received a muster roll at three different times, from the Receiving Ship Ohio in Boston harbor, containing the names of all these men, their ages, date of enlistment, &c., signed by the mustering officer and countersigned by the captain of the ship. They were delivered to me through the influence of J. P. Heath, who, I suppose, was recognized as the officer who recruited the men. I obtained those papers for the purpose of getting those men allowed by the Naval Commission, composed of Gov. Cony and Maj. Gardiner, by request of Gen. Hodsdon, the Adjutant General. I delivered them into the hands of Gen. Hodsdon. After that the General (Hodsdon) notified me that those papers wasn't sufficient, and that I must have an order from Provost Marshal General Fry before the men would be allowed. The men had all been quotaed to towns by me, and the majority of them had been paid for by the towns, and I held something like $90,000 of the towns' money for them. This was my situation when I sent to Washington and got the order of which I have testified, and which cost me $3,000. I don't know what became of the mustering rolls; I left them with the Adjutant General. I think I have seen one of them here to-day, sir, taken, as I suppose, from the records of the Adj. General's office.

Q. In your answer to the tenth question [see page 212] you say you had 211 of those men in all, and in your answer to the question preceding the last you say "I furnished 412 navy men in all." Will you please explain the apparent contradiction in these two answers?

A. There was one single list of them which I brought down here, which contained 201 names of men enlisted for three years, whose term of enlistment was yet to run, to each one of whom I had advanced a premium of $100 to the mustering-in officer; 211 other names were borne on one or more muster rolls which I had brought before, and were names of men who had enlisted some time before, and whose terms of enlistment had from nine to fifteen months to run, and to none of whom had any premium been paid, and nothing paid excepting the $30 to Heath.

Q. You have just stated that as to the 211 men you had paid nothing excepting the $30 to Heath. How do you explain the apparent contradiction between this statement and your answer to said eleventh question?

A. I did not in fact pay to any excepting the three years' men whose whole term was to run, any premium; and if I have apparently stated otherwise it was by misapprehension and mistake. I always had to pay the premium for newly enlisted men; and for the men who had enlisted previous to the time of my getting the mustering certificates, and who had partially served out their term of service, I did not have to pay a premium, but did generally have to pay the clerks something for making out the proper papers, and also had to pay Heath his $30 for each man.

Q. How late did you procure new enlistments of these men?

A. I think, up to March, 1864. I don't think I had any after March or April, 1864.

Q. Did you procure, or collect for any naval recruits quotaed by you, any State bounty?

A. No, sir, I did not.

Q. What registration or list of the names of these 412 naval men do you know to have been in the Adjutant General's office?

A. I have seen those men copied from the rolls which I brought to the Adjutant General on to a book and quotaed to the towns that they were enrolled on. I called this an index book, and I had occasion a great many times to examine the book and take lists of names from it.

Q. Did that book contain all the names borne on your mustering-in rolls, or only such of the names as were borne on the returns of the selectmen of towns as resident of such towns in the naval service?

A. I never examined the book only in reference to the towns that I had business with, and as to those towns I think they all made returns claiming the men as their residents. I didn't take any man that was a resident of the State, but always took foreigners. I will further explain that of the 412 men, I sold some, I don't know how many, in New Hampshire.

Q. Do you know, or have you reason to believe that other brokers beside yourself had access to this "Index book?"

A. I presume that others had access as readily as myself. I suppose it was open to general inspection.

Q. Do you know, or have you reason to believe, that names of men quotaed by you to certain towns, and borne on said "Index book," were duplicated and sold, or bargained to be sold, to other towns by other brokers or persons?

A. I have reason to believe they was [were.]

Q. To what towns have you reason to believe such sales were made.

A. I have got reason to believe that men that I sold to the town of Newcastle and which were credited to Newcastle, were also afterwards credited to the town of Mercer. I don't know anything about the sale of them to Mercer.

Q. What reason have you for believing that the men were the same?

A. They bore the same names, gave their residence the same, the term of service was the same, descriptive list of each man was the same. After I complained of this to Major Gardiner, these names were taken off from the credit of Mercer and other men were substituted for them.

Q. Was not your recruiting business interrupted by your arrest? If so, by whose orders and upon what charges were you arrested?

A. Yes, sir, my business was interrupted by my arrest. I do not know by whose order I was arrested. The charges that I was tried on—one of them was for recruiting without authority from the War Department, another was for obtaining money from cities and towns in the State of Maine on false pretenses, and another was for falsely assuming to be a government officer, and another for aiding men to desert.

Q. Had you a regular trial before a court martial, and had you counsel?

A. I was and had.

Q. Which of said charges were you held and convicted on?

A. I was convicted on each of them.

Q. Were any of the transactions which you have detailed to us specified in the charges upon which you were tried?

A. No, sir.

G. M. DELANY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 2, 1870.

GEORGE M. DELANY of Augusta appeared and his examination was concluded.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. In what books were the business transactions of your firm kept? Name the different books, and say where they now are?

A. From the 27th day of June, 1864, the time when Mr. Yates went into business with me, to the 27th of August, 1864, all our records were kept upon a small cash book. After that time we kept regular books, and had a book-keeper whose name was John Snow. The said small cash book I presume was burnt during the great fire here, and all our books excepting two ledgers, one of which is in Groton, Mass., and the other I suppose is in the hands of Mr. Stewart—D. D.

Q. Do said ledgers, or either of them, contain a record of the sums paid for, or disbursements made on account of the J. P. Heath men sold by you to the agents of towns?

A. They show the amount we received from the towns for those men after the 21st day of August, 1864. The $30 each that was to be paid to J. P. Heath, was paid by me on the 11th day of September, 1864, in the Eastern Express office, by checks, and the books show it. They show all the money we received and paid out for men after the 27th day of August, 1864.

Q. Were there any entries in said small cash book for or on account of money paid out for the Heath men?

A. Yes; the money advanced to Heath was on it. The money paid out for procuring the order, the amount paid Osgood for services rendered, and all our expenses were on it.

Q. Did you ever tell O. K. Yates that the messenger sent to Washington to procure the order heretofore referred to, was J. H. Manley, and was such the fact?

A. No, sir; I never remember of telling Yates any such thing—I know I never did; and J. H. Manley was not the messenger.

Q. Did your partner, O. K. Yates, bring you a list of naval enlistments by J. P. Heath, and was said list the first that you had had of that class of enlistments?

A. He brought a list purporting to come from Heath, about the middle of June, but it was not the first list I had had. I had a list of 211 men—muster roll of 211 men, together with certificates of enlistments in the Adjutant General's office, from about the 11th of April previous. The roll that I had in the Adjutant General's office, all the names on it, were enlisted within the time allowed by the President's proclamation. The rolls or lists that Yates brought were old enlistments, only seven or seventeen of which were within the time allowed by the President's proclamation or the order issued allowing such men. We never quotaed or sold one of this first lot of men which Yates brought, and

I kept the roll in my pocket until I was arrested in the Adjutant General's office, and then I burnt it there as worthless. Mr. Yates afterwards brought several lists of recent enlistments, and those we did sell and quota to towns.

Q. Did your cash-book, or any of your books contain any entries of premiums or bounties paid out to individual naval recruits?

A. It did, sir; but to none of the Heath men.

Q. Did any of said books contain any entry of bounties or premiums deposited with third persons for any of the Heath men?

A. They did, sir.

Q. About how many men did you deposit bounties for?

A. I think about from a hundred to a hundred and fifty.

Q. What proportion of the men for whom you paid Heath a bonus of $30, were actually enlisted by him?

A. I paid Heath $30 for every man that I received, enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio. I think about 80 per cent. of the men I had of him were enlisted by him.

Q. Didn't you understand that Heath was under contract to you to let you have the selling of all the unassigned naval credits that he could control?

A. I made a contract with him, sir, in the spring of 1864, to have all that he enlisted that were unassigned.

* [*Q. Do you know that Heath transferred to J. P. Deering & Co. about* 250 *of such men through the agency of H. S. Osgood and J. H. Manley?*

A. I don't know, sir. I know that after I got]

Q. Please to state whether the sentence which you say was imposed on you was ever exacted?

A. The fine was remitted, and I was offered a pardon twice, conditioned, but I refused the conditions. I was subjected to only a nominal imprisonment, and after thirteen months I was discharged. I was sentenced for ten years and fined $45,000.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. On pages 36 and 37 [page 219] of your deposition you state that you have reason to believe that men which you sold to the town of Newcastle, and which were credited to Newcastle, were afterwards sold and credited to the town of Mercer, and that you complained of this to Major Gardiner, and thereupon the names were taken off from the credit of Mercer and others substituted for them. Do you know, or did you ever know, the names of the men so substituted for the first men on the credit of the town of Mercer?

A. I do not, sir. I have seen the names and examined them, and seen that they were not the names that were first credited to the town of Mercer, and which were credited to the town of Newcastle.

Q. State, if you remember, what reply Major Gardiner made to you when you complained to him as above said.

A. He told me he would have it seen to, and have the parties arrested. He wanted me to give him the names of the parties that I thought put the men to the credit of Mercer, and I declined. Thereupon he gave me a letter to the

* This question and answer appears to be erased in the original.—S. W. Lane, Sec. of Senate.

Commissioner, Henry A. Williams, ordering him to investigate the matter and report to Major Gardiner.

Q. Do you know that said Williams made such report; and if so, what the substance of it was?

A. Well, I know that Mr. Williams and I looked over the books and found that the same names were credited to both towns. We talked it over for a few minutes and he kind o' laughed, and I went away. The next morning I went into the office and Mr. Williams called me over. This was after the mail got down from the State House—showed me the new list of names that had come down from the Adjutant General's office to be credited to the town of Mercer, and I saw this list put into the book and the other names erased.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. About the time this transfer was made, did you receive an anonymous letter? If so, from whom did you receive it, in whose hand writing was it, and what was the tenor of it?

A. I did, from Henry S. Osgood in person. I don't know in whose hand writing it was. The tenor of it was, you mind your business and your business will not be meddled with. I tore the letter up there on the street where Mr. Osgood met me.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. On page 37 you state that your recruiting business was interrupted by your arrest, state now if you had at that time any names of men which you intended to sell to be credited on the quotas of towns, and if so, how many, in what branch of service were they reported to be, and how you obtained them?

A. I did. I should think there was 200. They purported to be in the marine corps. I obtained them from a gentleman from Washington who wouldn't tell me his name. I gave nothing for them. I had also a list of names which cost me $3,500 to get an order to have them credited on subdistricts and towns in the State of Maine. This list I burnt. The other list of names I handed to General Hodsdon to give to my wife. It was in an envelope, and was a muster roll. I had the original muster roll purporting to be signed by Lieutenant Beecher of the marine corps. The envelope contained beside this muster roll, a list or roll signed by General Hodsdon, on which a portion of them were assigned to different towns in this State.

A. Had the towns on whose quotas said portion had been credited paid you for the same?

A. No, sir. I made a contract with towns for so many men. Those men had to be assigned by General Hodsdon and then carried to the Provost Marshal's office before I could get my pay; but I never had any opportunity to carry them there, and so never got any pay.

Q. Do you know, or have you reason to believe that your said contracts were afterwards fulfilled by any person?

A. Yes, sir, a part of them. It was done by Major Littler, sir. There were a part of the lists of those men there in his office awaiting for his signature, and he assigned them, but I do not know who got the pay for them. I

know that I got my part after I was released. I got twenty per cent. I received it from my wife, and she received it by an orderly from Major Littler's office. It amounted to about $604.

Q. State, if you remember, the towns on whose quotas said portion of men were credited?

A. The town of Nobleboro' had forty-eight hundred dollars' worth of them. The towns of Waltham and Mariaville had some of them.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Do you know that the $3,000 was ever received by the Provost Marshal General?

A. I believe it did, through the confidence I had in the fidelity of my agent. I do not know it. I got the order, and that was all I wanted.

Q. Have you got, or did you ever see a receipt for the payment of that money, and if so, by whom was it signed?

A. I have not got any receipt. I have seen one. It purported to be signed by Provost Marshal General Fry. It was a conditional one—conditioned that if the credits were not allowed the money was to be refunded.

G. M. DELANY.

Augusta, Me., Thursday, November 10, 1870.

S. C. Archer of Bangor, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you engaged in the service of the United States during the war?

A. I was a recruiting officer under the government during the war all the time, after having left my regiment with which I served about eleven months, commencing in 1862.

Q. Did you sell certain men or credits for men, obtained of Messrs. Pike & Colby of Augusta to one or more towns in this State? If yea, how many men, and to what towns did you sell?

A. I did. I came over here and enquired of the Adjutant General what should be done. Pike & Colby wanted to sell those men. I told them that I was recruiting under the authority of the government, and I did not know whether it would do or not, but that I would go and see the Adjutant General. I went and see the Adjutant General and told him the case, and he said it was right to do it.

Q. What class of men did Messrs. Pike & Colby propose to you to sell? What description did they give of them? Where were they, and how did they say they obtained them?

A. They were three years' men. I don't recollect what description they gave of them. I think they told me that they were re-enlisted. I understood them that they were in the service but hadn't been quotaed.

Q. With whom of the firm of Pike & Colby did you talk? with one or both?

A. I think the most of the talk was with Mr. Pike.

Q. Did you come to Augusta on a message received from them, or did you call on them without such message, for the purpose of procuring men?

A. I don't recollect.

Q. Did either of them go with you to see the Adjutant General?

A. I think Mr. Pike did.

Q. Were any documents or papers of any kind carried by you or Mr. Pike, or shown, in reference to those men?

A. I think Mr. Pike did have a paper. It seemed to be a paper something like a muster-in roll. I don't remember of but one paper. I do not know what it contained.

Q. Who conducted the conversation with the Adjutant General, you or Mr. Pike?

A. I think Mr. Pike did, in regard to the men.

Q. What did Pike say to the Adjutant General?

A. I don't recollect. I asked him if it was right to fill the quotas of towns with the men that Pike had to sell, and he said it was, because it saved the State a bounty.

Q. Was it disclosed by you or Pike to the Adjutant at that time what you were to give for the men?

A. I don't think it was.

Q. Were you not requested not to mention the price of the men to the Adjutant?

A. I don't think I was. I am pretty confident I was not.

Q. Did you consult any other officer or person previously to making the trade? If so, who?

A. I think I did Major Littler, but no other person. I have the impression that Pike went with me there.

Q. What did Major Littler say about it?

A. He said it was right, that they would fill the quota. Perhaps in other words, he said they would have to go to our Provost Marshal.

Q. Did you advise with these persons at the suggestion of Pike & Colby, or was it your own suggestion?

A. I don't think they did. I think I suggested that myself.

Q. For what towns, at that time, were you employed to recruit men, and upon what authority or request?

A. I don't recollect that I was authorized by any one town.

Q. Did you not propose to buy these men of Pike & Colby at the most favorable rates, and sell them to such towns as would give the most for them?

A. I don't recollect of any such trade as that. My order in recruiting was to credit every man to the towns where they belonged. These orders were from General Hodsdon.

Q. Did you then propose to purchase these men, credit them to the towns where they belonged, and collect from such towns a town bounty to reimburse you for what you paid?

A. I can't answer that question. I can explain to you so that you can see the point. I think not. My office was down at Bangor, and towns came in for me to fill their quotas, A, B and C. Some of them deposited money with

me. I enlisted men and had them mustered in. When a man came in I enlisted him. Some of them I enlisted there, and came over here to have mustered in. I met Pike here and he told me he had some men, and I made arrangements with Mr. Pike for some men to fill certain towns' quotas. Pike had the town bounties. I made arrangements with the towns, and Mr. Pike had the bounties.

Q. Did you purchase sixteen men of Messrs. Pike & Colby which you afterwards sold to the town of Corinna?

A. I fetched them forward for the town of Corinna.

Q. What trade did you make with the town of Corinna in reference to these men?

A. I think they was [were] to give $500 per man, and did give it.

Q. On what evidence furnished by you were they to pay?

A. On furnishing the certificate of the Provost Marshal that they were credited to the town. The money was paid to me as fast as the men were credited. I think the men were not all credited at one time.

Q. For what price did you sell these sixteen men to the town of Corinna?

A. I think they paid $500 per man.

Q. Did you receive any commission, bonus or gratuity for said sixteen men for your services in the transaction? if yea, of whom, and what amount?

A. I think I did; but I can't tell what amount. I think I was to have of Pike $25 per man.

Q. Was your commission of $25 taken out of the $500, or was it in addition to that amount?

A. I think it was taken out of the $500.

Q. Did you receive $8,000 for the sixteen men—that is, $500 each for the sixteen—or was there a discount on the settlement?

A. There was a discount of $100 or $200.

Q. Were you furnished with a list of the names of the sixteen men? If so, by whom? Have you ever seen such list? If so, where, and what do you know about the same?

A. I did not, to my recollection, ever see a list. I suppose they were credited by names. The Provost Marshal here, Major Littler, credited them and sent an order over to Bangor to the Provost Marshal to have them credited. All credits were made here by Major Littler, and sent over to Provost Marshal Low of the 4th District, to relieve the men there.

Q. Is it not true, as you have stated, that you were ordered to quota all men to the towns where they belonged?

A. All men enlisted by me, I were [*was*] ordered to do so.

Q. Do you know that the sixteen men sold to Corinna belonged to any town in this State, or were in the service, or in existence?

A. I do not.

Q. Do you mean to say that in all the transactions from first to last in reference to these sixteen men you never saw any list, record or roll?

A. I don't recollect that I ever did.

Q. Did you believe them, at the time, from representations made to you by

Messrs. Pike & Colby, to be men then in the service of the United States, who had re-enlisted for an additional term of service?

A. I did.

Q. By whom was the paper resembling a mustering-in roll in the hand of Mr. Pike, signed?

A. I don't know.

Q. Did it or not, purport to be signed by a recruiting officer of the marine corps in the District of Columbia?

A. I can't recollect. My impression is that it was.

Q. What safeguard had you that the men, if re-enlisted men, would not be assigned to towns to which they belonged, and so that the town of Corinna, actually paying for them, might not be deprived of the credit on their quota?

A. All I had was the authority of Major Littler and General Hodsdon, both of whom told me that the men had not been credited anywhere, and would be credited to the towns to which I might assign them.

Q. Did you at any time after the transactions before-mentioned, learn or hear that these sixteen men were what were called paper men, and if so, when and how?

A. I don't think that I ever heard that they were paper men. I had heard of another class that were paper men.

Q. What class of paper men had you heard of?

A. Well, I heard of a class of paper men that they used to go up to Boston and enlist them in the navy and fetch down descriptive lists and have them credited.

Q. Did you sell, or had you anything to do with the sale of seven men to the town of Eddington?

A. I did. I sold seven men to that town.

Q. Of whom did you purchase said men, and at what price?

A. I had them of Capt. Cochrane, I think. My impression of it is that the price was $300 apiece.

Q. Were they purchased or bargained for at the same time as those sold to Corinna?

A. I don't think they were.

Q. When were they purchased or bargained for?

A. In the month of January, 1865.

Q. Do you know that these were a part of the men which Pike & Colby had the control of?

A. I don't know it. Mr. Pike said that he had turned them over to Capt. Cochrane—what he had.

Q. What did Cochrane say to you about these men?

A. He said they were re-enlisted men.

Q. Have you a list of said seven men, and if so, where did you obtain it, and will you make the same a part of your deposition?

A. I have a list. I obtained it of the Provost Marshal at Bangor—Low. It is hereto annexed, marked "A." It is dated January 30, 1865, and signed by John E. Flint, Deputy Provost Marshal, Fourth District of Maine.

Q. Do you know any of the men named in said list, or whether they were ever residents of Maine?

A. I don't.

Q. As to these seven men, did you consult Gen. Hodsdon, Major Littler, or any other civil or military officer, before purchasing or engaging them?

A. I consulted both of them.

Q. What advice did each of them give you in reference to procuring said men?

A. That those men would be credited to the quota of Eddington, and the draft would be suspended. The quota filled, I remember, because I was acting as the agent of the town, having been chosen at a meeting of the town at which I was present.

Q. What was the price which the officers of the town agreed to pay you for each of these seven men?

A. I think $400 per man. It might have been $475 per man.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. How did they pay you for the men?

A. By two notes; one to Capt. Cochrane for $2,800 and one to myself for services for $400 or $500, I have forgotten which. At that time there began to be a little feeling about these men. I said to them, "Gentlemen, I would not pay for these men now. You give your notes, payable in a year, and if they are good men, legal men, and your quota is filled by them—if they are not removed, taken from you—then you are to pay your notes."

Q. Did the town of Eddington pay said notes?

A. I don't know whether they ever paid Cochrane or not,—they never paid me. I gave Cochrane his note, and I don't know anything about it since.

Q. Did you ever try to collect your note? If so, what was the result?

A. I did, and they refused to pay me. I never sued them.

Q. Did they have any negotiation with you, and offer to pay any part of the note, and if so, how much?

A. They did. The note was deposited with Mr. Wakefield, and they offered him fifty per cent., as I was told by Mr. Comins of Eddington. That offer was rejected by Mr. Wakefield. Mr. Woodbury of Eddington, one of the selectmen, offered me ten dollars for my note, and I refused to take it.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. What was the feeling which you spoke of in reference to these men?

A. Well, it began to be talked about that they were paper men. The selec men were afraid that they were not real men. The money was deposited and I might have taken it.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, November 11, 1870.

S. C. ARCHER appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. What information or reports had the selectmen received in reference to the character of these men?

A. Well, I think it was rumored that they were not real men—that they were paper men or something of that sort. That they were names that didn't exist.

Q. Did you sell two men of this class—the Pike & Colby men—to the town of Newport?

A. No, I did not.

Q. What was the transaction betwixt yourself, the town officers of Newport, and Messrs. Pike & Colby?

A. The town of Newport—the agent or selectmen, I don't recollect which—came to me and wanted me to fill their quota, and I might have put in two men. If so, they were real men. Recruits didn't come in fast enough, and I told them of these credits that could be obtained of Pike & Colby, and that I was authorized to order credits of them. Told them they had better come over and ascertain what they were. Referred them to General Hodsdon and Major Littler. They came back, and the next time they came over they asked me to order thirty credits for the town of Newport—30 men. The credits were ordered. I think I wrote to Mr. Pike to have thirty men credited to the town of Newport. The men were credited, and I have a certificate of Provost Marshal Low to that effect. Then they refused to pay me for the men—the town officers—I suppose they were town officers, Walker and Shaw—or for any service rendered for doing the business. Mr. Shaw and Mr. Walker said they thought they could get something off what they were to give, by settling with Pike & Colby themselves. They came over here, I came over with them; and they settled with Pike, or Pike & Colby. I wasn't present at the settlement. Mr. Pike said it was all settled up. I don't know who wrote the receipt, but I signed the receipt with Pike & Colby. No portion of the amount was paid to me, directly or indirectly, to my recollection.

Q. Do you know the fact that eight of the names in the certificate of Provost Marshal Low, referred to, were transferred to the town of Dexter?

A. I don't know the fact, but Mr. Shaw told me that a portion of them were transferred to Dexter.

Q. Do you know what the town officers of Newport actually paid for these men?

A. I don't know. I don't recollect. I don't think they paid $400 per man. My opinion is that they didn't pay Pike & Colby over $300 per man. They were to have paid me $400 per man.

Q. Will you annex the said certificate of Elijah Low to your deposition?

A. Yes, sir, I hereto annex it. It is dated January 20, 1864, and marked "B."

Q. Is said date of January 20, 1864, correct?

A. I don't think it is. I think it should be 1865.

Q. Do you know anything about the alteration of the name of the town in said certificate?

A. No, sir, I don't. I think there was no alteration, but merely a blur of the ink.

Q. How do you know that all the names in said certificate were names of men furnished you by Pike & Colby? Were not twenty of said names the names of men that had been purchased by the officers of the town of Deering & Co.?

A. I cannot explain it. I never purchased any men of Deering & Co., nor sold any men for them, nor had any correspondence with them in regard to men to my recollection.

Q. Did you receive said list of thirty men from Messrs. Pike & Colby, or did you find the men already quotaed in the Provost Marshal's office and get the certificate?

A. I went to the Provost Marshal's office and found the men named in the list already credited there, and he gave me the list.

Q. In answer to your communication to Pike & Colby ordering the thirty credits to Newport, did you receive a letter, and can you produce the letter? If not, why not?

A. My impressions would be that I received a letter, stating that the thirty men had been credited to Newport, but I have looked for such letter and have not been able to find it.

Q. Now, Mr. Archer, is not it a fact that only ten of these men belonged to Pike & Colby, and the other twenty were furnished by and paid for to Messrs. Deering & Co.?

A. I do recollect that there was talk that they could have men of Deering & Co., and I think there were other brokers in Pike & Colby's office at the time of the settlement. I do not know how the money was divided. I only signed one receipt with Pike & Colby.

Q. Did Pike & Colby, or either of them, ever tell you of whom they had these men, or what they cost them?

A. I think they did, but I have forgotten who. I think it was of some military man here in the State. It seems to me that they said they paid $400 for them, bounties and all.

Q. Did you sell men had of Pike & Colby to any other towns excepting Corinna, Eddington and Newport?

A. No, I did not. I want to make the statement, that I knew that selectmen or agents of towns were not deceived in regard to men bought or ordered credited by me. I referred them to General Hodsdon and Major Littler before the trade was completed with me, and I received no pay, commission or bonus for the men so sold to Eddington or Newport, and only received something, as I have stated, in the Corinna case.

S. C. ARCHER.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of S. C. Archer, and referred to, page* 226.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 4th District of Maine,
Bangor, January 30, 1865.

The following credits for the town of Eddington have been received from Augusta from the A. A. Provost Marshal General, under date of January 26th, viz: George McConnell, Stephen Moore, Daniel Meahan, Charles Matthews, John Norris, James C. Page, Ernest Buntschke. Each for three years. Seven in all.

(Signed) JOHN E. FLINT,
Deputy Provost Marshal, 4th Dist. of Maine.

B.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of S. C. Archer, and referred to, page* 229.]

Provost Marshal's Office, 4th District of Maine,
Bangor, January 20, 1864.

The following credits for the town of Newport have been ordered to be placed to the credit of that town by Major Littler, viz: William H. Delancey, William Noble, William Jordan, Charles J. Wall, Jacob F. Mentzer, Lawrence Hickey, Samuel McNiel, David Jones, Charles H. Gillett, John H. Valiant, John A. Peoples, Isaac Irwins, Patrick Kenney, Patrick J. Breen, Samuel D. Sharp, Michael Riley, Rinkardt Zimmerman, William Fondel, George Wise, Robert Egman, James G. Jones, Hamilton Williams, Henry Morris, Ernest Platz, Henry N. Schmidt, George Stratton, John W. Mattock, James Mullen, Thomas Quinn, William Woods. Thirty persons in all, and for the period of three years each

ELIJAH LOW,
Capt. and Pro. Mar., 4th District of Maine.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, November 11, 1870.

FRANK DAVIS of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the partners of the firm of G. M. Delany & Co., brokers?

A. I was a part of the time. I was in partnership with him about six or eight months, commencing in August, 1864, I think, and continuing up to the time of his arrest.

Q. What was your share in the business?

A. At one time it was a third; then we took in two more partners. I had an equal share all of the time.

Q. What business had you been in previously to this?

A. I had been in the market business—in the meat business in this city.

Q. What branch of the business, if it was divided, did you personally attend to?

A. No particular part of it. In the absence of Mr. Yates, I generally conducted the correspondence.

Q. Did your firm obtain the control of several hundred naval recruits, or names of naval recruits, which you afterwards distributed and sold to various towns in this State?

A. No, sir, our firm didn't. Before I went into the firm, Mr. Yates & Delany had, but they were already sold mostly when I commenced with them, and I had nothing to do with them.

Q. Did you not fill the quotas of several towns with what you call naval recruits after you went into the firm, bought of other brokers? If so, what towns, how many men, and at what prices?

A. Well, we did. I can't recollect of any towns but one. I know there were other towns, but I can't recollect what. I know we did to the town of Concord. I recollect that, for we have a suit now pending.

Q. How many men did you supply to the town of Concord, and of whom did you obtain them?

A. We supplied them with nine men, but part of them were recruits which we enlisted and part of them we purchased of Manley.

Q. What was the class of men which you had of Manley? What service were they in, and what statements were made to you about the men at the time of selling them to you?

A. Well, I had nothing to do with them personally. I didn't know whether they were beasts or men. All I know is, that we got a certificate from Major Littler that these men were quotaed on the town of Concord.

Q. What was paid Manley for the men?

A. I don't recollect, our books were burnt up in the fire. I think we didn't make anything on the men—that we let the town have them for about the same that we paid for them.

Q. Did you make out papers to be signed by selectmen of towns and sent to the Naval Commission claiming men in the naval service as residents of such towns?

A. Well, sir, I can't tell whether I did or not.

Q. Were you in Washington in the spring of 1865?

A. I was.

Q. In what service were you previously to going to Washington?

A. I was in the substitute business, in the firm of G. M. Delany.

Q. For what purpose, or on what business did you then go to Washington?

A. No particular business. Delany, my partner, was under arrest there at that time. I went to see how he was situated.

Q. Do you know anything about the procurement of a certain order from Provost Marshal General Frye to credit certain men in the naval service of the class Mr. Delany was dealing in, to districts or sub-districts of this State?

A. I know nothing of it.

Q. Did you ever see said order?

A. No, sir.

Q. Were you sent to Washington to procure said order?

A. Don't think I was; don't recollect that I was.

Q. Do you know or have you any reason to believe that any person was sent to Washington from this State to procure said order?

A. No. I don't know that I have any reason to believe so.

Q. Were you in Washington previously to the time of being there as stated by you?

A. I was there previously—early in 1865, I think.

Q. At the time last named did you call upon the Provost Marshal General, or have any business or leave any message or communication with him or with any subordinate in his office, or leave any message or communication to be presented to him or such subordinate?

A. I did not in person. Mr. Delany had a lawyer there with whom I communicated in regard to Mr. Delany's release, and I don't know what communication he might have held with the departments.

Q. Was there not an account and settlement made between you, Delany and others, of the disbursements made and profits received in the purchase and sale of the naval credits, so called, obtained from or through one John P. Heath?

A. There was an account and settlement for the men had of Manley and sold to the town of Concord, but I don't know whether they were had of Heath or not.

Q. In any account, claim or settlement made between you and your co-partners, was there a charge for disbursing $3,000, or any sum, expended in procuring an order from the Provost Marshal to quota certain naval credits to districts and towns in the State of Maine?

A. I wasn't a partner at the time they were procuring those credits. I think he and Mr. Yates gave $3,000 to a certain person for some purpose, but I don't recollect to whom. I know, by what I heard them say, that there was $3,000 expended for some purpose, political or otherwise. At that time I was a clerk for Delany & Yates, and not a partner.

Q. Was the person to whom such money was said to have been paid known to you, or a resident of this State?

A. I can't recollect who it was or whether he was a resident of this State or not.

Q. Which one of the firm or clerks gave personal attention to the procuring of certificates of muster or credit from the office of the Adjutant General or Provost Marshal General?

A. No one in particular. I attended to it frequently, but had nothing to do with the certificates of the naval credits. The Adjutant General had nothing to do with certificates of credit, so far as I know.

Q. Do you know the fact that after Delany & Yates had procured from some parties the control of certain so called naval credits, and had sold and bargained the same to various towns, that the Acting Provost Marshal General, Major Gardiner, refused or declined to credit such towns with the number of men so bargained as substitutes for drafted or enlisted men?

A. No, sir; I don't know it to be a fact. If anything of the kind was done, it was done before I had personal knowledge of the affairs of the company.

Q. Look at the returns of men in the United States navy from the town of Bristol, and state if either of them is filled up in a hand writing known to you?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) Yes, sir; the return of ten men, dated August 20, 1864, is in the hand writing of Mr. Delany.

Q. Answer the same question in reference to similar returns from China?

A. There is no hand writing on either of them that I know.

Q. Examine similar returns from the town of Damariscotta, and others before you?

A. The return from Damariscotta of eight men, dated June, 1864, is in the handwriting of Mr. Yates. The return of seven men from Edgecomb, dated August, 1864, is in the handwriting of Mr. Delany. The return of eight men from Hartford, dated August 9, 1864, resembles the handwriting of Delany. The return from Jefferson of ten men, dated August 17, 1864, is in my handwriting. The return from Manchester of seven men, dated August 10, 1864, is in the handwriting of Delany. The return from Newcastle of eight men, dated June, 1864, is in my handwriting, and the other two returns from the same town are in the handwriting of Delany. The return from Richmond, dated, Sept. 1, 1864, is in Delany's handwriting. The return from Stow of three men, dated August 6, 1864, I think is in the handwriting of Yates. The return from Temple of ten men, dated August 18, 1864, is in the handwriting of Yates. The return of three men from Wales, dated August 23, 1864, is in my handwriting. The return of sixteen men from Wiscasset, dated August 8, 1864, is in Mr. Yates' handwriting. I have looked at the handwriting in the other returns and do not recognize it.

FRANK DAVIS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, November 15, 1870.

O. K. YATES of Paris, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. What is your profession?

A. I am now a practicing physician in the town of Paris, Me.

Q. Were you engaged during the years of 1864–5 in the business of supplying recruits?

A. I was in that business with G. M. Delany, Frank Davis and H. A. Williams. I had been in business alone, and on or about July, 1864, I came to Augusta and went into business with George M. Delany, and some time in October, 1864, we took Frank Davis, and in a little time thereafter we took in H. A. Williams; and with those partners continued in the business of buying and selling recruits during the war.

Q. Were there any men outside of those named above who had any interest directly or indirectly with you in your business? If so, give their names.

A. I did business with J. P. Heath. It was in June following the act of Congress allowing navy men to be credited to towns. I was introduced to Mr. Heath by Jonathan Norton of Buxton, and Heath told me that he had two or three hundred, I think he said, navy men that were unassigned, and wanted me to buy them outright. I told him I did not want to trade so. He told me he did not want to be known outside in the business, as he was a United States recruiting officer; and he told me if I would take them I might have them for $30 apiece. He said the certificates of their muster and receipt on board the ship were here at the Adjutant General's office unassigned to any town. I told him I would take the names, and when they were properly credited to towns I would pay him for them. I would not agree to pay him for them until they were properly credited to towns. I took the list which was made out on a sheet of foolscap paper, containing the names of, I think, about 200 of them, and the name of the ship, and I think the date that they were received aboard of her. I couldn't tell how long the men had been enlisted, but they were not recent enlistments. They had been enlisted previous to the act of Congress before referred to—so Heath told me; and he told me they were enlistments for three years. I took those names and negotiated with town agents on the same principle as the trade with Heath—that when the men were credited to their towns they should pay me for them. Jones was a man from New Hampshire: a personal friend of Delany's, who, for about a month had a percentage on all the men except the naval enlistments had of Heath. I had business with Perkins & Co., at White River Junction, who had $25 per man on men that they put through for us at the Provost Marshal's office there. The agents of most all the towns to whom we sold men had to have their pockets greased; I mean to say, we usually gave them a bonus of from $15 to $25. As to any other outside persons having an interest in the business I only know through Delany, having no personal connection with them. In some instances the

captains of companies gave us a bonus of from $15 to $25 for men furnished to help fill up their companies.

Q. Did you pay any bounty or premium to the men named in the list had of Heath?

A. No, sir, not a cent. Heath claimed that he ought to have half of what we made, but we did not recognize the claim, not so understanding the trade. I did not know the men and never saw them.

Q. To what towns or for what towns did you furnish these men, and for what sums?

A. We furnished China eight men, Damariscotta eight men, Edgecomb six men, Greenwood ten men, Hartford eight men, Litchfield ten men, Manchester seven men, Porter fourteen men, Richmond four men, Stow five men, Temple ten men, Vassalboro' five men, and some men for Lisbon, at prices ranging from $100 to $500.

Q. Was there not a good deal of competition among town officers, and a rapid appreciation in the price of men up to the close of the war?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did this list of 200 or about 200 men comprise all the naval recruits sold to towns?

A. Yes, sir, all except a few that we carried to Kittery. It comprised all of the Heath men that I have any knowledge of.

Q. About how many did you carry to Kittery?

A. I don't think more than half a dozen. I couldn't tell you exactly. Frank Davis did the most of that.

Q. By which member of your firm was the business with Heath in reference to these 200 men done, including the payment of the bonus to him and the procuring of the lists or muster-in rolls of the men?

A. I procured the lists negotiated with Heath. Delany paid him the bonus, acting as the cashier. I never had or saw any muster-in rolls, but Heath said at the time he furnished me the lists, and before Delany knew anything about this class of men, the proper papers had been forwarded to the Adjutant General's office in Augusta.

Q. Upon receiving this list, as you have stated, from Heath, state particularly what steps you took to dispose of the men?

A. I returned to Augusta with the list, showed it to Delany, and gave him the first intimation that he had relative to this class of men. I told him the conditions on which we could have them. He approved of it, but expressed his doubt that we could use them—thought that they would be assigned to the general credit of the State. Soon after I got those names it was reported that a commission would be appointed to dispose of those unassigned naval men. I made arrangements with the agents of towns to take these men, and we assigned them, and the towns were to pay us if the commission allowed them. I was at Auburn after this time, and did not personally take any steps to get them allowed, but Delany wrote me that they were allowed.

Q. Do you not know, or have you not reason to believe, that Delany interested himself to get them allowed?

A. I was at Auburn during the whole session of the commission, but De-

lany told me that he interested himself to get them allowed by the commission.

Q. Do you not know, or have you not reason to believe, that objection was first made to allowing this class of men, and there was a delay in allowing them?

A. I was so informed by Mr. Delany. I had reason to believe so.

Q. Did you not encounter some difficulty in getting towns to take this class of men?

A. I did, sir, on account of the delay in getting them allowed; but after we got them allowed we had no difficulty. The towns at first were afraid that they would not be allowed, and that the delay would operate against them.

Q. Do you not know, and have you not reason to believe, that the allowance of these men on the quotas of towns was obtained by procuring certificates of the selectmen of towns that such men were residents of their towns and liable to enrolment?

A. Yes, sir. I think there was a question that those men should appear as belonging to towns and liable to enrolment, and the selectmen did supply me with such certificates, on the ground that the men were aliens but in the actual service of the United States, and might be considered to belong to any town on whose quota they were credited.

Q. Did you not yourself give these explanations to the officers of towns in reference to the signing of such papers?

A. I did, sir.

Q. Do you know whether or not any bonus or consideration was paid to town officers for signing such papers?

A. Not for signing such papers; but there were many instances in which the agents of towns had a bonus of so much per man. Some few agents refused to accept it.

Q. Have you and Mr. Delany settled up your accounts for the Heath matters?

A. We have.

Q. Do you know, or have you reason to believe, that any money was disbursed on behalf of your firm or any member of it, to procure a general order from the Provost Marshal General at Washington to any military authority at Augusta to allow the 200 men had of Heath to be assigned to the credit of District or sub district of the State of Maine?

A. Delany informed me that he had used so much money for such purposes. I don't remember the sum, but it was some thousands.

Q. Do you know anything of the money's being furnished and sent?

A. I don't know that, but it was put on the books—so much money for getting the order from the Provost Marshal General.

Q. Do you know by whom the money was sent, or the order procured?

A. I think Delany has told me that it was through Manley.

Q. Who received that order?

A. I couldn't tell you.

Q. Is there now, or was there ever, any correspondence in reference to the procurement of that order?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Do I understand you to say, and to intend that none of the Heath men put into the service by your firm received bounties paid to themselves?

A. Not to my knowledge. We only paid him $30 for the men, and that was the only disbursement that was charged in the account or settled for by me.

Q. Which was procured first, the order from General Fry to assign the men to sub districts and towns in Maine, or the returns of the selectmen claiming the men as residents of their towns?

A. The returns of the selectmen were procured first.

Q. Why was it necessary to procure said order from the Provost Marshal General after the returns from selectmen of towns to the Naval Commissioner had been procured and handed in?

A. I couldn't tell you. It was done through Delany.

Q. Were you not informed that Major Gardiner had declined to allow that class of men without authority from Washington?

A. I was.

Q. Was the manner of procuring such order the subject of conversation or discussion between Mr. Delany and yourself?

A. I don't know that there was any discussion. We talked the matter over. He said it was necessary to procure the order and it was necessary to use money for that purpose, and the money was put upon the books, and I suppose it was used.

Q. Did you at that time maintain a correspondence with the Secretary of War, or the Provost Marshal General, or any officer of the War Department?

A. Not to my knowledge. I never saw any correspondence. Delany told me that it was through Manley, that he was doing the business; and Osgood had something to do about it.

Q. Of the 200 men had of Heath did you sub-let or sell any portion of them to other brokers?

A. I don't remember that we did, except that the agents of towns might be considered as brokers.

Q. Do you know of James Colby or J. H. Manley having some of these men to dispose of?

A. I know of James Colby's having a few of them to go on the quota of his town. I do not of Manley's having any of them.

Q. Do you know of T. M. Stevens having some of them to go on the quota of the town of Pittston?

A. Yes, Stevens had some of them. I regarded Stevens as an agent of the town.

Q. Do you know of A. D. Merrow's having some of them for the town of Lebanon?

A. I think the town of Lebanon had some of the men, but I don't know who the agent was.

Q. Do you know of J. P. Heath's selling directly to towns?

A. Yes, sir, he told me he sold some to the agents of towns. He sold some to Jonathan Norton of Buxton. He told me that he sold some to Stevens of Pittston. After the men got dear he wouldn't let us have any.

Q. Do you know of A. B. Farwell's having any of the men enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio, or having the right to sell them?

A. I do not.

Q. Do you know of Hubbard & Stimson's having a commission on the sale of some men put to the credit of the town of Parsonsfield?

A. I do not.

Q. Did you let Josiah H. Greely have fifteen of these men for the town of Palermo?

A. I think we let the town of Palermo have some of them. Greely, I think, was the agent?

Q. Did Delany have any men of J. P. Heath prior to your being connected with him or after your connection?

A. I know he never did before—Heath told me he never did. It was in June, 1864, that I got the list, before there was much call for men. I never knew of his having any after. There was none reported on our book.

Q. Prior to your obtaining said list of 200 men, had not Delany applied to Heath and obtained from him mustering-in rolls of the enlistment of the men, countersigned by the captain of the ship, and brought them at three different times to the Adjutant General for the purpose of having them allowed by the Naval Commissioners?

A. I am not aware that he knew anything about it until I showed him the list; and he expressed surprise at my being able to get control of so many men on such favorable terms.

Q. Was anything exacted by Heath, or any officer on board the Receiving Ship, as bounty for these men?

A. Nothing more than what I have already stated.

Q. What agents of the towns supplied by you declined to receive a bonus for the men?

A. S. P. Maxim declined to receive it, and he gave it to the town. I won't clear any more. We allowed all the other agents a bonus for their services on each man, as above stated. The receipts were given for the whole sum, including the bonus, but the money paid us was less than the receipt by from $15 to $25 per man. I don't know but that the others might have given the bonus to their towns. I think the men from Temple also refused to receive any bonus, and also a few other town officers.

O. K. YATES, M. D.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, November 15, 1870.

JOSEPH F. NYE of Fairfield, (Kendall's Mills,) sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you sheriff of the county of Somerset in the year 1864–5?

A. Yes, sir. I was sheriff almost seven years—went out last January.

Q. In December, 1864, were you acting in some capacity in the District Provost Marshal's office? If so, what?

A. I was, acting as Deputy Provost Marshal of the Third District.

Q. Did you at that time furnish five men to the town of Detroit to fill the quota?

A. I can't tell.

Q. Where did you get the men that you sold Detroit?

A. My impression is that all the men I had which were called paper men I had of Mr. Pike.

Q. How did you obtain said men of Mr. Pike, by purchase or to sell as his agent?

A. Well, all the men I had of him I went to him and made a bargain what I was to give.

Q. What was you to give?

A. I can't answer. From the impression I have I should say somewhere about from $250 to $350.

Q. What class of men did you purchase, or did Pike represent them to be?

A. He recommended them to be men who had been in the service and who had re-enlisted and had not been assigned to any town, and who would be assigned to any town that would pay their bounty.

Q. Was there a muster-roll or list of the men delivered you by Pike with the men?

A. I am not able to tell.

Q. What did you have to show that you had the men?

A. I think I had his receipt when I paid him money. I think I never had or saw a list of the men.

Q. Did you pay him money previously to selling the men or did you pay him after they were sold by you?

A. My impression is that he received his pay after they were credited to the town that they were assigned to.

Q. Did you, as Deputy Provost Marshal of the Third District, assign these men on the quota of Detroit?

A. Certainly I didn't.

Q. Were they not credited to your district by yourself? If not, who did credit them?

A. Mr. Woodward or Mr. Williams attended to that portion of the business of the office; that was no portion of my duties. I was at work outside of the

office the most of the time. I kept in Somerset county the most of the time hunting up deserters.

Q. Did you procure any order or direction to have these men credited to Detroit, or did you see any such order or direction?

A. No, sir, any more than I would say on what town I wanted them credited.

Q. What did you sell these men to Detroit for per man?

A. Not a cent more than I gave for them, but what that was I am unable to say.

Q. What evidence did you produce that the men were credited previously or at the time of getting your pay?

A. I must have had a receipt from the office where they were credited. They might have been credited to Littler's office, or they might have been credited up here to the State House at General Hodsdon's office.

Q. Did you sell a part of the men you bought of Pike to the town of Fairfield?

A. I can't tell. I have no means of telling. I put in some men for that town, but I can't tell whether they were of that lot or not.

Q. Did you not in connection with Mr. Kenrick sell eight men to the town of Fairfield for $3,720?

A. I can't answer. I have no recollection of putting in any men with Mr. Kenrick.

Q. Did you give a receipt for that sum?

A. I can't recollect.

Q. Look at these papers and see if you signed the same? (Hands witness papers marked B. and D., [*See Fairfield, B. and D., page* 179] at which he looks.)

A. I signed both of them.

Q. Were there not some men for which you received these sums named in said receipts marked B and D as bounties—actually enlisted men in this State?

A. I presume there were.

Q. Look at the papers marked E., F. and G., [*See Fairfield, documents E., F. and G., pages* 179 *and* 180] and state whether the men named in the said papers were credited on the quota of Fairfield and so certified from the Provost Marshal of the 3d District?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) They were.

Q. Are the names in said three papers those of men enlisted in this State, or of men procured by you of Mr. Pike?

A. I am unable to state; but from the fact that the papers came from Major Littler's office, I presume they were paper men. I do not recognize them as men that I know. I never believed they were actual men, and I do not now. I do not mean to include the men that Mr. Kenrick furnished the town. I mean to include what paper men I had anything to do with. The men that I call paper men were men that were represented to have been in service and their term had expired and had enlisted over again or were going to enlist over again. Part of the men that I had of Pike were what I call paper men, and I don't know but that all of them were. I think, however, I had some real men of him.

Q. What did you receive per man for the men sold to Fairfield?

A. I can't answer.

Q. Did you sell them to Fairfield for the same sum they cost you, without any deduction for bonus or commission?

A. I didn't all of them.

Q. Do you remember what you did receive as commission?

A. I don't.

JOSEPH F. NYE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, November 15, 1870.

F. KENRICK of Fairfield, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you procure certain men or names of Pike, or Pike & Colby, which you afterwards sold to the town of Fairfield?

A. Yes, sir. I made the trade with Pike & Colby, and they gave me an order on Jos. H. Manley, and he got me the certificate of credit for them and I paid him.

Q. How many men had you, and at what price?

A. Four men, at $400 apiece, and they are the men named in paper "F," [see Fairfield F, page 179] to my best knowledge and belief.

Q. Is paper "F" the certificate procured by Manley, and did you pay on said certificate?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What representations did Pike & Colby or Manley make as to the men—in what service, and how they obtained them?

A. This four men that I bought I don't know that I had any talk in regard to, but the understanding was that they were men that had been discharged, re-enlisted, and they bought them and had a right to sell them to any town that would advance their bounties.

Q. What did you sell them to Fairfield for per man?

A. My impression is that they gave me two dollars and a half per man more than I gave for them.

Q. Did you sell ten of the Pike men to the town of China, and if so, state all the facts connected with the transaction?

A. I went to Mr. Pike to buy ten men for the town of China, and he told me at that time that he couldn't let me have them, but that he had let Sumner Barton have some men and he had ten to spare and he would speak to him, and that Barton would let me have them for what we had talked. I think I paid Mr. Pike $400 apiece for the four men that went on the quota of Fairfield; and for ten men that went on the quota of China, $440 apiece, less $20 for my services. Pike & Colby told me that they had been out to Washington—or somewhere where these men were—and bought them, with the right to sell

them to any town or plantation. I believed at the time that they were real men. There was some talk with me and Mr. Abbot about there being paper men in the market.

FRANCIS KENRICK.

Augusta, Me., Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1870.

T. H. Hubbard of North Berwick, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Did you supply recruits for the towns of North Berwick and Parsonsfield, in whole or in part, to fill quotas of those towns in the fall of 1864?

A. I think I furnished some men to North Berwick in 1863 and '64, and to Parsonsfield in the latter part of 1864 or early in 1865. The Parsonsfield men were furnished by brokers, and I contracted with the brokers on the part of the town. The power was delegated to me by the town, and one of the selectmen was there with me all the time I was at Portland.

Q. Do you know that four men of the class called naval recruits were put to the credit of the town of North Berwick in October, 1864, and had you any connection with the procuring and sale of said men?

A. I recollect that on one of the quotas in that year a broker by the name, I think, of McLeod—from the Provinces he was—brought a man, one man, to be enlisted in the navy—took him to Charlestown, enlisted him and brought me the certificate of enlistment. I took it to Capt. Doughty and took a voucher from him for the town, which I filed with the town officers. I know of no other.

Q. Look at the paper marked "B," [*See No. Berwick*, "*B*," *page* 190] among the official papers of North Berwick, and state whether you did not receipt for A. C. Lewis, John Horn, George Gilman and Lewis A. Horton, marked as navy recruits in said paper.

A. (Witness looks as directed.) I find my signature to such a receipt, and recollect that this receipt was presented to me by the chairman of the board of selectmen sometime after the quota was filled. Some of the men I procured and some I did not. The contract for filling the quota by the town was with me, but I had to abandon it, and other parties filled the quota. This receipt Mr. Butler required as a voucher for the town, the contract having been with me; and I signed it, supposing it to be correct. In every instance where I have procured men, paid for them or [paid] them and received pay, I took a receipt from the men and filed that with the town officers, usually giving my receipt on the back of the same. In paying men that were mustered there, I always paid in presence of one of the officers of the town and of the Provost Marshal's office. Sometimes the officer of the town would not be present, but invariably in the presence of one of the officers at the Prov. Marshal's office.

Q. What, if any, connection had you with the enlistment or assignment of the four naval recruits already named?

A. I really have no recollection about them. I do not recollect which one

of the town officers was there when I left with the business unfinished. I do remember that on *one* of the quotas—this may have been the one—that one of the selectmen by the name of Hobbs remained in Portland and completed the quota, but I really can't tell which one. As to any knowledge of the so called paper men, I have none.

Q. Had you any commission or bonus, or gratuity of any kind, directly or indirectly, for the sale or assignment of these four men?

A. I think not. I think nothing.

Q. How many men did you procure personally for the town of North Berwick, and how many were procured by persons to whom you turned over your contract, under said contract?

A. It is impossible for me to state. This I do know, that all the contracts I had with the town I either filled or turned over to men who did.

Q. Who were the men to whom you turned over said contract?

A. They were various individuals whom the brokers termed runners. McLeod was one, and Fay was another. They were men who came from Canada or the Provinces with aliens, and were glad to deal with me, for I usually paid more than the brokers.

Q. Were not all the men furnished by you, or furnished by any parties under your contract, foreigners who had never had a residence in the United States? If not, state how many were of that character.

A. It is but an impression, but my impression is about all were represented to me to be foreigners. The Provost Marshal wouldn't credit us with men that had a residence in the State, stating that the Departments wouldn't allow it unless they belonged in the town for which they enlisted.

Q. Did you see any order in reference to the assignment of aliens, or know of the existence of such order, or was it claimed by the officers of the Provost Marshal's office that there was an order controlling such cases?

A. My impression is that I saw such order, and that it was in the hands of the chairman of our board of selectmen—Mr. Haven A. Butler—and that it came from the Adjutant General of this State.

Q. State if you can in substance the directions contained in said order.

A. The impression I have of the order is that it emenated from the Adjutant General, and contained an allusion to the orders of the Provost Marshal General, and its substance was that no credits could be made to towns of the State unless they were of citizens of the towns, and it was inferred that aliens might be so credited.

Q. Did you see any of the men procured by you or upon your said contract? If so, how many, and who.

A. Quite a number of them. I paid them personally, but I can't tell who. I think the major part of them I paid myself. I took from each one that I paid though a receipt, and filed the receipts with the town officers.

Q. Are you able now to testify that any or all of said persons were men procured by yourself or parties of whom you had obtained the men to be enlisted for a term of service in the United States navy, and that all or some of them were not already in the service and not credited to any town or district,

the credit for whom had been sold by some recruiting officer, naval officer, broker, or other person?

A. All the men that went into the navy that I had anything to do with were men that I saw, and were represented by the broker, who had them in charge, to be desirous of enlisting in the navy, and after an agreement for price with him and the men, he would take them away to some naval recruiting station, and subsequently, upon proper vouchers from the Provost Marshal's office, I made the payment.

Q. From interviews with the men, can you tell or indicate their nationalities?

A. I don't know that I can, but I think the majority were from Canada and from the Provinces, and I don't know but that there were some from New York and Massachusetts.

Q. What sums did you pay said men personally or know to have been paid them, and for what objects?

A. Different sums were paid by the towns under different calls, and it was my course to offer pretty well up to the sums that the town paid, but I can't state what those sums were.

Q. Do you not know that the whole premium and bounty paid by the brokers to some of the men did not exceed five dollars?

A. I do know that to be a fact in one case. It was not, however, with any town that I had to do with.

Q. What disbursements in all, and for what purposes, severally, did you make on account of the men furnished by you, or that were furnished on your contracts to North Berwick?

A. I couldn't do that without the receipts from the men. My impression is that I would make contracts with the brokers to give them $25 a man, and that they would make a contract with the men whereby they would obtain considerable more.

Q. Did you not in connection with John N. Stimson, furnish ten men enlisted in the navy in the Receiving Ship Ohio, which were afterwards put to the quota of the town of Parsonsfield late in the year 1864?

A. I don't recollect to have had anything to do with Parsonsfield in connection with Mr. Stimson. I had had talk with the selectmen of Parsonsfield with reference to filling that quota.

Q. Had you not agreed with Nathaniel Pendexter, 2d, to dispose of to him twenty-seven, or a certain number of men which you claimed to have the right to control?

A. I did with one of the town officers of Parsonsfield—think it might have been Pendexter, but it had reference to men that were promised by brokers to me.

Q. Did you not furnish three men in pursuance to such agreement, muster them in and receive pay for them?

A. I don't recollect the number. I did some I know.

Q. What were [*was*] the character or kind of men so sold?

A. I think they were foreigners; and my impression is that they were for the army, and were obtained by me of brokers for the town.

Q. Do you know the fact that Pendexter and Brackett did personally recruit a number of men for their town?

A. I know they told me they bought men for their town.

Q. After they had bought men for their town did you not solicit or direct one John N. Stimson to solicit, or know that he solicited the privilege of supplying the number of men necessary to fill the quota of that town?

A. I think after giving up the contract to fill Parsonsfield myself, Messrs. Pendexter and Brackett getting men very slowly, and learning that Mr. Stimson had some men, I gave them that information and they sought him.

Q. What was the character of the men you understood and represented Stimson to have to dispose of?

A. Men that he had recruited in the South in the neighborhood of Washington.

Q. At the time you referred them to Stimson as aforesaid, how many men did you understand Parsonsfield to lack on its quota?

A. I don't think I knew the number. I don't think it was represented to me. I ought to say here, that I was paying but little attention to the matter at the time.

Q. Did you know the fact that Stimson had been to Washington and its vicinity under some engagement or authority to procure the enlistment of veterans and colored men?

A. I knew he was there for that purpose, did so recruit, and I understood, under some authority from the State.

Q. How many men of both those classes had you knowledge or information that he had obtained?

A. From reports a large number, but I saw but two, and they were negroes.

Q. Did you refer the town officers of Parsonsfield to Stimson with the expectation that he had men enough of those classes to fill the town's complement of men?

A. Those classes or some other—I don't know that I knew what the class of the men was.

A. Do you not know that the two negroes referred to ran away, and didn't you see them in the act of running away?

A. I did, under these circumstances,—They were placed in my charge to come east to be delivered to Mr. Stimson's partner. While waiting for the train to start out in Washington, one of the negroes started and ran and Mr. Stimson after him. The last I knew of that negro he was in a sewer and Stimson trying to poke him out.

Q. Do you not know that the men actually supplied to Parsonsfield by Stimson were ten naval recruits enlisted on board the United States Receiving Ship Ohio at Charlestown?

A. I don't know it of my own knowledge, but I have an impression like this in the matter, that I introduced to Stimson a man that had formerly supplied me with men for the land service, who said that he had some men that wanted to enlist in the navy, but whether Stimson took them or not and put them upon the town of Parsonsfield, I do not know. McLeod was the name of the man that I introduced to Stimson.

Q. Had you any interest, direct or indirect, at any time in the ten men furnished to Parsonsfield for which Mr. Stimson seems to have receipted?

A. No pecuniary interest.

Q. Did you in the summer of 1864 go to Washington or Virginia to promote the enlistment of men to be made available on the quotas of any towns in this State?

A. I hardly know how to answer that question. I didn't go there for that purpose. I was in Washington on other business, and confered with Col. Stone with reference to men for my own town and his, and this I did in response to a letter which I received from Mr. Hobbs after I went there. I had no commission from the State officials or any other party, nor did I procure any men.

Q. Did you, while at the South at that time, become in any degree conversant with the operations of citizens of Maine who were there recruiting, or attempting to recruit, men for this State, as to their methods of proceeding, the number and kinds of men they succeeded in obtaining, and the disbursements they made for them?

A. Nothing as to their disbursements that I recollect of. I knew generally that Mr. Stimson and others were in Washington at that time recruiting men under some authority from the State. Some of the men I saw started from Washington to Maine, as I inferred, for substitutes.

Q. How late did you remain in Washington at this time?

A. I can't recollect. I was there about three weeks in the summer—July or August.

Q. Who besides John N. Stimson and Col. Stone do you remember there for the purpose of procuring men—who [were] from Maine?

A. Mr. Hobbs from North Berwick, came there as agent for the town while I was there. I saw William Emery there, but knew nothing of his business. I think I did see Dr. A. D. Merrow of Acton there, and there were other Maine men there that I didn't know.

Q. How many men of all kinds do you know that Stimson obtained there?

A. I do not know how many. I know he obtained some.

Q. While you were there was the recruiting in that region in behalf of Maine stopped or suspended by an order from the War Department?

A. I cannot say; but there was some order which Col. Stone and others thought detrimental, and endeavored to have recinded or modified. I think it was modified to the extent of allowing the credit of those men that were already enlisted.

TIMOTHY H. HUBBARD.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, November 17, 1870.

GRANVILLE P. COCHRANE of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Whether you had any agency in filling the quotas of any towns in this State under any of the calls for men in the year 1864?

A. I never had any direct agency. Indirectly I did.

Q. Do you know that seven men put upon the quota of the town of Eddington in that year, were settled for in part by a note given to yourself?

A. I will give the transaction as it occurred. I had at that time the control of certain marine credits as agent for other parties and one S. A. Barker, a broker of Bangor, representing himself to be under an engagement to fill the quotas of Dixmont and Eddington, came to me and I let him have some of them, and he was to pay me for them as soon as he could get it from the towns. He was the man that I looked to for my pay, but on being pressed by me for pay he said the towns would not pay him, and asked me if in the case of Eddington I would take a town note, and I agreed to and did take a conditional note for $2,800, to be paid in one year if the credits were not disturbed. The note was signed by the selectmen and treasurer of Eddington, and was payable in one year. After the note became due I endeavored to collect it from the town, which refused to pay it and I sued. In the mean time Barker had sued the town of Dixmont for a similar class of men and the suit had been non-suited; and my attorney surrendered the note by the town's paying the cost, $50.

Q. How many of what you call marine credits did you have the disposal of?

A. My impression is, that there were about 200 names on the roll that I had control of.

Q. What papers if any did you have in reference to said men?

A. It was a muster and descriptive roll—it was all on one paper—containing the names, places of nativity, occupation, date of enlistment, term of enlistment, and all the data usually given on a muster and descriptive roll. It was endorsed by a lieutenant in charge of the Marine Corps, certified by a lieutenant at the marine barracks, that the men had been enlisted at the marine barracks, that it was a correct transfer of the records of the marine barracks that they had never been credited to any city or town in the United States. There was an endorsement on the back of it by Prov. Marshal General James B. Fry, authorizing these men to be credited on the quotas of towns. My impression is that it didn't state any particular State—stating that those men were proper credits, not having been credited to any towns. My impression is now that they might properly be credits to any district or sub-district, or to that effect.

Q. At what place, and from whom did you first receive said muster roll?

A. Here in Augusta, from a Mr. Oscar T. Higgins from New Hampshire. I think from Concord.

Q. Did said Higgins claim property in or right of control of said muster roll?

A. He did.

Q. Did he state to you of whom he had obtained it, and what it had cost him?

A. He stated—There was another man with him; that he and parties with him had obtained this roll at the marine barracks, and that they had deposited at the marine barracks bounties for the men amounting—as near as I can recollect—to about $200 per man.

Q. Upon what payment or engagement to pay or account was said muster roll delivered to you?

A. I asked permission to take this roll of men with the endorsements on it and show it to the State and United States authorities at Augusta, to see if they were proper credits and would be allowed to towns in Maine. Higgins consented, and I took it first to Major Littler—that is my impression. He considered the endorsement of Fry as sufficient to warrant their being credited. I also showed the list to Gov. Cony and to Gen. Hodsdon, both, and they viewed it in the same light as Littler had. I made the arrangemeut with Higgins to pay him about $300 per man; and I was to have all I could get over the amount I was to pay him. I assumed no risk, and was not to pay unless I got pay.

Q. How long did you retain said muster roll, and to whom and for what consideration did you transfer it?

A. I deposited the muster roll, before I disposed of a man, in the Adjutant General's office here in the State House, immediately after I got it, which was in January, 1865. As credits were made the names were taken from the roll in the Adjutant General's office to Major Littler's office, to be credited on his books, in every instance where I sold.

Q. Did you sell or agree to furnish to one C. T. Bean, for the town of Warren, fifteen men out of said roll; and if so, state upon what terms, and how the credit on the quota was obtained?

A. I did sell him about that number for about $400 per man, and the credit was obtained in the manner I have above stated. Bean came here when I was sick and paid Higgins the part that I was to pay him, and my partner, George G. Davis, gave Bean a receipt just as if I had received the money, so I didn't get a cent for the men. I have no reason to believe that Davis received anything out of it.

Q. Did not one Z. R. Wright of Lewiston claim that he had furnished the fifteen men put to the credit of the town of Warren, and endeavor to collect the pay for them at the rate of $430 per man?

A. I don't recollect that he did. He may have done so while I was sick. I never looked to Wright for a cent of pay, and never had any trade with him.

Q. Didn't you make said Wright your agent to sell these men or part of them, either generally or to said town of Warren, with the understanding between you and him that you were to have $400 per man and said Wright $35, and did not said Wright sell the 15 men to Bean for Warren at $435 each, in accordance with that understanding?

A. Well, I don't recollect that that was the case with the town of Warren, but I may have done so generally with brokers, and with him among them. I

cannot say that Wright sold the men to the town of Warren with any such understanding, for I know I looked to Bean for my pay.

Q. Please look at the letter marked "E," [see page 194] annexed to the deposition of M. R. Mathews, and state whether you wish to vary or enlarge your answer relative to the transaction with the town of Warren.

A. (Witness looks as directed.) Well, I will correct it so far as my connection with Wright is concerned. The letter is substantially correct.

Q. Look at paper "C," [see page 193] and state whether that certificate was obtained by you for the fifteen* men furnished to Warren.

A. I had no connection with the District Provost Marshal's office. I did get a list of the men from the Adjutant General and carried it to Maj. Littler's office, and then my connection with the matter ended.

Q. To what other towns or brokers besides Warren, Dixmont and Eddington did you sell any of these marine credits.

A. I didn't sell directly to any towns, but I sold to S. A. Barker as stated for the towns of Dixmont and Eddington. I sold to Bean for the town of Warren, and I sold a very few—less than half a dozen—to the firm of Delany & Co., and I think they were put on the quota of some town in Franklin county. After that I was taken sick, and I never saw the list or roll afterwards, and it went into the hands of other parties.

Q. Did you sell five men from the roll referred to, to the town of Pittston?

A. I have no recollection of doing so.

Q. Did said Oscar T. Higgins show you any commission or order under which he was claiming to act in bringing said muster-roll to Maine and disposing of it here?

A. I don't recollect, but he had some paper—in writing, I think—showing some authority or other, I don't know by whom signed.

Q. Did he claim to have purchased said roll of some other party, or that he himself had procured it from the recruiting officers of the marine corps in the District of Columbia, or other military or naval authorities there?

A. I understood from him that he, with other parties, had procured the roll from the marine barracks at Washington, having deposited money there as bounties for the men.

Q. Did you learn from said Higgins, or any other person, whether or not similar rolls had been taken by other persons to dispose of in other States than Maine?

A. I did not.

Q. Do you know, or did you hear, upon what rule or under what law or regulation marine credits of a similar kind were distributed among the States?

A. Well, I understood at the time, having been in Major Gardiner's office and seeing the orders from time to time, that men in the service having no place of residence in the United States could be assigned on the quota of any district or sub-district by the order of the Provost Marshal General, or upon their own election.

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* The certificate referred to contains only fourteen names —S. W. LANE, Secretary of Senate.

Q. In the case of the 200 men named in said muster roll, did you understand that the assignment was by the Provost Marshal General, or by the election of the men?

A. I understood by the order of the Provost Marshal General, as endorsed on the back of the roll.

Q. Was, or not, said endorsement blank as to the name of the State at the time you saw it?

A. I don't think that the name of any State or locality was mentioned in it. I am very positive there was not.

Q. By whose procurement or influence was the endorsement referred to obtained?

A. I have no means of knowing, and don't know.

Q. Was any portion of the $300 per man to be allowed to Higgins, claimed on the score of expense or service in procuring said endorsement?

A. I think not. I never heard of anything of the kind.

Q. Do you know that any money was actually paid to any men named in said roll?

A. I do not.

Q. Do you know that the men named on said roll were ever actually enlisted, or were in existence?

A. Certainly I do not. I only know it from the endorsements of the officials on the back.

Q. Previously to calling on Major Littler, the Adjutant General and the Governor, as you have stated, with said roll, had you had any interview with either of them, or sent any person to see them, or procured or suggested the sending of any person to see them, to solicit their favorable consideration of said roll?

A. I had not. I had done nothing of the kind.

Q. Do you know of any influences made use of by any person to secure a favorable decision in regard to said roll?

A. I can answer that, and say that I did not. *(*There was one or two towns —about half of what I sold—that Littler was inclined to be a little offish, obstinate about it, and acted as though he wanted a little greasing up.*)

Q. Was there any hesitation or delay manifested in the office of A. A. Pro. Marshal General in giving credit for this class of men after a number of them had been credited?

A. There was a little.

Q. Did you or not on account of said delay, and with a view of expediting the business, offer to the clerks in the office, or any of them, to share with Maj. Littler the profits of the business rather than to have any trouble?

A. I never did with any clerk, but I did with him personally.

Q. Did you receive any reproof for said offer from Major Littler? and if not, how did he entertain it?

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*In the manuscript a line is drawn through the words printed in italics.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.

A. He entertained it in silence. I never did pay him any share in the profits because nothing was received.

Q. Had a roll similar to the one which Higgins brought ever been to your knowledge brought to Maine before?

A. Well, I can't answer whether a roll similar to that was ever brought to Maine or not, but there had been to my knowledge a roll of what is called paper credits brought to Maj. Gardiner when I was on his staff. I don't know whether it was a roll of naval credits or marines, but Maj. Gardiner refused to have anything to do with it unless under positive orders from Washington. This roll came to Maj. Gardiner sometime in the summer or autumn of 1864. I don't know the name of the man who brought the roll.

Q. Referring to your answer on page 121 [250], what orders do you refer to?

A. I refer to the general tenor of orders from the Provost Marshal General at Washington. Some of these orders were written and some were printed.

Q. Who was the party referred to understood to be interested with Higgins in the list?

A. The man was a total stranger to me. I presume he was introduced but I don't recollect his name.

G. P. COCHRANE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, January 11, 1871.

G. P. COCHRANE of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were the 200 men, named on the list which you bought of Higgins, a part of the men which Pike & Colby had the control, or were they a distinct lot?

A. They were a distinct lot.

Q. About how many of this list remained unsold at the time you left it, on account of your sickness, in the Adjutant General's office?

A. There must have been very nearly 170 of them.

Q. Did you have any share of the sales of that number?

A. I did not, nor of those sold to the towns of Eddington, Dixmont or Warren.

G. P. COCHRANE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, November 18, 1870.

WILLIAM C. SIMMONS of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you engaged in the business of engaging and selling recruits during the war, alone or in company with others, and if so, where was your place of business, and what was the style of your firm?

A. I was, with J. P. Deering and James P. Hill, and the firm style was J. P. Deering & Co. The place of business was an office on Water street, Augusta.

Q. From what time to what time was you engaged with that firm?

A. We commenced December 1st, 1864, and on April 12, 1865, we broke up.

Q. Had each partner an equal share in the profits of the business?

A. Hill and Deering had equal shares, but I had something less than either of them, not having put in so much money.

Q. Were your business matters entered upon the company books, and by whom were the books kept?

A. I think they were. The books were kept by myself and Deering.

Q. Have you the books present with you, and of what did they consist?

A. I have. They consisted of the journal, ledger, cash book and order book.

Q. What class of recruits did you principally deal in?

A. The greater part of the business consisted in furnishing the actual men that we enlisted here at Augusta; besides which, we enlisted men at other points, principally in Boston, to go into the navy.

Q. Did your firm supply ten men to one N. O. True, to go upon the quota of the town of Freeport, under some call during the year 1864?

A. We did.

Q. At what price per man?

A. At $450. The receipt annexed to the deposition of N. O. True, marked "A," * [see page 176] is in my handwriting.

Q. Was the sum of $4500 in full paid to you?

A. I suppose it was, sir, as the receipt shows.

Q. Did you supply eight men to the town of Friendship?

A. Yes, sir, we did, for $3440 for the eight men.

Q. Besides that sum, was there a bonus paid to the town officers?

A. I don't know. The receipt for $3520, marked "B," [see page 174] annexed to the deposition of Robert Geyer, is in the handwriting of Mr. Deering.

Q. Do not your books show that the sum actually paid to you was $3440?

A. They do.

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* The paper referred to is, evidently, the one marked "B" instead of "A," as stated. —S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.

Q. Did your firm put in another man about April 5, 1865, for the town of Friendship, and if so, at what price?

A. We did put in another man, and were paid $390 for it.

Q. Did you not give a receipt on account of that man for $400?

A. We did.

Q. Did you receive $500, or any less sum, about the 2d of March, 1865, for still another man for that town?

A. We did, $500.

Q. Did you supply the city of Hallowell with five men about January 19, 1865?

A. We did. We received for the five men $2140, and gave a receipt the same day for 2150 to A. Wall and Mark Johnson.

Q. Did you supply the town of Nobleboro' with ten men about the 26th of January, 1865?

A. Yes, sir, and we received for the men $4,100.

Q. Did you supply the town of Union with fourteen men, January 18, 1865; and if so, at what price?

A. We did, and received $6,200.

Q. Did you supply the town of Waterville with ten men, January 6, 1865?

A. Yes, sir, for $3,250 for the ten men.

Q. In the cases of the towns enquired about, Freeport, Friendship, Hallowell, Nobleboro', Union and Waterville, of the money indicated by your cash book to have been paid, was any sum paid back to any town officer, agent, or other person for a commission, premium, or any other purpose, and do your books show it?

A. I don't remember, and I don't think the books show anything of the kind.

Q. Whether you employed persons to solicit towns to procure men of you?

A. I think not. The most of the towns came voluntarily.

Q. Had your firm, or any of them, made any arrangement with Major Littler to send officers of towns in pursuit of men, to you?

A. I don't remember, sir.

Q. Where did you obtain the fifty-seven men sold by you to the towns above said?

A. Well, I hardly know how to answer that question. We received them from all parts.

Q. Look at paper marked "A," [see page 176] annexed to N. O. True's deposition, and state whether your firm procured it and delivered it to the officers of the town, and state whether it contains the names of the men which you sold to that town?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) I don't recollect anything about it. I never saw the paper before, that I remember of.

Q. Of whom did you obtain the ten men that you sold to Freeport?

A. I don't know. The most of the men were procured by Mr. Deering; my business was mostly in the office.

Q. Besides actual enlistments of men in this State, did not your firm have to dispose of, a number of men or list of names said to be in the marine corps

or navy of the United States, and assignable to towns by order of the Provost Marshal General?

A. I don't remember.

Q. Who kept the ledger of your company?

A. Mr. Deering, mostly.

Q. Of whom were the eight Friendship men obtained?

A. I couldn't inform you, nor as to any of the men.

Q. Did not your firm have upwards of a hundred men of J. H. Manley of Augusta?

A. I think Mr. Deering got some men of Mr. Manley, but I couldn't tell how many.

Q. Does not your book indicate the number of men you had of Manley?

A. I think not, sir.

Q. Turn to your ledger and state whether there is there or not an account with J. H. Manley and credit to him for men, and if so, for how many in the aggregate and at what price?

A. Yes, sir, there is an account with him for one hundred and twenty-one, and the aggregate price is $47,400.

Q. Were not all the 121 men bought by you between the first day of Jan'y and the fourth day of February, 1865?

A. Well, I couldn't state.

Q. Does not it so appear from the dates at which they were credited?

A. I should say it did.

Q. Were not said men bought in lots of from one to fourteen, as you had calls for men from the towns?

A. Well, sir, I should judge so. There might have been some men that we had on hand besides those that we had of Manley.

Q. Of what other person besides Manley did you purchase men?

A. We had a great many men of Thing & Monroe of Boston; but I find an account of only one man on the books.

Q. Is all the transactions of Deering & Co. as brokers, in the books here produced?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. At what date was the first man actually put in by you?

A. December 24, 1864.

Q. Did you have men of any other persons excepting Manley and Thing & Monroe?

A. Yes, sir. We had men of Colby & Pike—twenty men.

Q. Whether or not you had men of Barton & Keene?

A. Yes, sir, we had two. We had three men of G. M. Delany & Co., December 24, 1864. Those that I have enumerated appear to be all the men we bought.

Q. What was the price of the entire lot which you had of Manley?

A. We had all but one man for $400 each, and for that man we paid $300.

Q. Now state how many men in all you sold to towns and individuals, exclusive of substitutes?

A. From the books I should judge about 200 men.

Q. Referring to your journal, state whether or not the ten men sold to Freeport for $4,500 were not credited the same day to J. H. Manley at $4,000?

A. They are credited the same day at $4,000.

Q. Are not the eight men charged to Friendship, or part of them, credited to Manley the same day?

A. Five of them are so credited.

Q. Are not five men credited to Manley, credited on the same day as the five men charged to Hallowell?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Are not the fourteen men charged to Union, credited on the same date to Manley?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Are not ten men credited to Manley on January 26, 1865, the same day of ten men charged to the town of Nobleboro'?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Of whom had you the ten men charged to Waterville on January 26, 1865?

A. Of J. H. Manley.

Q. Are these entries in your journal, concerning which you have just testified, in your handwriting?

A. They are, mostly—some of them may be in Mr. Deering's.

WM. C. SIMMONS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, November 18, 1870.

T. H. DINSMORE, of Skowhegan, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Had you any agency in filling the quotas of any of the towns in this State under any of the calls of 1864?

A. I had. I assisted in filling the quotas of several towns in my county. I think I furnished about twenty-five of those naval men. I furnished ten to Harmony, one to Holden and Dennistown, three to Carratunk, two to Norridgewock, two to Pleasant Ridge, and seven to Bingham.

Q. Of whom did you obtain these twenty-five men?

A. Of J. H. Manley, as my memorandum shows.

Q. What representations, if any, did Manley make as to the men—how he obtained them, and in what branch of the service they were?

A. I do not recollect distinctly as to any representation he made at the time as to how he obtained them; subsequent to this, however, in answer to my inquiries, he stated that they were actual enlistments on board the steamship Ohio. My impression is that he purchased them of parties who had previously bought them, and who transferred them to him, and that he said they were not assigned to any town. I made no inquiries until after it began to be whispered about that there had been a great many paper men disposed of, and then I

made the inquiries of him as I wanted to be assured that I had had none of them. At the time I supposed they were actual men, but were in the navy, and I supposed a navy man was worth just as much as an army man.

Q. Did Manley tell you the parties of whom he had the men, and what they had cost him?

A. No, sir.

Q. What did you pay or engage to pay for these twenty-five men, and what were the terms?

A. I was to pay cash down for the men, and he was to give me receipt showing the credit of the men. I bought them at different times, and the price seems to have varied. I paid from $400 to $420 per man. I paid $420 for the men sold to Bingham and Harmony, and $400 for the others.

Q. What did you receive for the sale of these twenty-five men?

A. For the Harmony men I received $450 per man; for the Bingham men I received $430 per man, I think; for the Norridgewock men I received $500 per man, I think; for the Pleasant Ridge men I don't recollect how much I received.

Q. Whether, in addition to this apparent profit for the men, you were paid any commission, premium, or per diem by the towns or by brokers for your services?

A. No, sir. Nothing by the towns or from the brokers.

Q. Did Mr. Manley tell you how many of the class of men you purchased of him he had in all?

A. He did state positively the number, but I am now unable to state what the number was.

Q. Whether any certificate of credit by the District Provost Marshal, by the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General or the Adjutant General, were procured by you or were ever in your hands?

A. I think there was in every case; and my impression is, that they came through my hands.

Q. Look at paper marked "A" [see page 172], accompanying the deposition of J. A. Magoon, and state if you obtained the same and delivered it to the officers of the town with your receipt on the back of same?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) I did, sir. It came from Manley or one of his assistants. I relied upon Manley to get all the necessary papers.

Q. Look at paper "A," [see Bingham, page 177] accompanying the deposition of Chandler Baker, and state all you know about the same.

A. (Witness looks as directed.) I have good reasons to believe that this paper was received by my clerk, Manley W. Turner, as I have in my possession J. H. Manley's receipt given said Turner for $2940 in full for town bounty for seven men assigned to Bingham, dated one day subsequent to the certificate of credit for the men.

Q. Did you procure or direct any returns to be made to the Naval Commission at Augusta, by the selectmen of the towns to which you sold said men, certifying said men to be residents of the towns respectively, or know that such certificates were prepared and returned?

A. No, sir.

T. H. DINSMORE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, November 29, 1870.

JAMES P. HILL of Waterville, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you a partner in the firm of John P. Deering & Co. in the substitute business during the late war?

A. I was, from sometime in December, 1864, to April, 1865.

Q. At that time who composed the firm of Deering & Co.?

A. John P. Deering, William C. Simmons and myself.

Q. Did you put any cash capital into the business when commencing?

A. We all put in a small cash capital at the beginning.

Q. Did your firm furnish the town of Freeport with ten men late in the year 1864, or early in the year 1865?

A. My impression is that we did furnish the town with some men about that time.

Q. What was your department of the business?

A. I think I didn't have anything to do with the books. My business was picking up men the most of the time.

Q. Besides the men actually engaged and mustered into the service in this State, did not your firm purchase of J. H. Manley upwards one hundred names of men whom you never saw, and who were claimed to be already in the marine or naval service of the United States, which names you afterwards sold out to various towns in this State?

A. Well, if you will please allow me to answer that question in my own way — soon after we commenced business — we knew nothing of any paper credits, I never had heard of them up to that time — Mr. Osgood, H. S., the express man, said to me that he, or he and Mr. Manley, had the control or had the handling of quite a number of hundred men. I don't remember the number exactly, but I think it was six hundred or upwards. He didn't tell me what source they were coming from. I asked him what the men could be bought for, and he told me, I think it was somewhere about $200 apiece. I urged Mr. Deering to secure the whole of them. It was about the time of the draft and I thought the men would be in demand, but he thought we hadn't capital enough, and we didn't secure them only as we wanted them. Soon after that we began to have calls for men, and we applied to him. He or Mr. Manley would go with one of us—frequently I went, and sometimes Mr. Deering —to the State House and tell General Hodsdon that we wanted to get so many names. He would take a roll, or book it appeared to be — a list of names anyway — and would copy off the number we asked for. We then went from there to Maj. Littler's office — show him this list of names with Gen. Hodsdon's signature. He would then give us a certificate that these men was quotaed on the town, which certificate we showed to the agent of the town that they were quotaed to, and he paid us. I don't know the number we had of

Mr. Manley and Osgood under this arrangement. Our books would show exactly. We did not pay them anything until the account amounted to some thirty or forty thousand dollars.

Q. Look at these books and say whether they are the books kept by your firm and contain the record of that business? They consist of a journal, ledger, cash book and order book.

A. (Witness looks.) They are the books which we kept, and they contain all of our transactions connected with that business.

Q. Whether the men purchased from time to time of Osgood and Manley were not all credited to Manley and did not amount to one hundred and twenty-one?

A. They were all credited to Manley, and they did number in the aggregate one hundred and twenty-one.

Q. Did you have other men whose names were on the list in the Adjutant General's office, and if so, of whom and how many?

A. We had twenty men of Pike & Colby, which we sold to the town of Waterville, but we didn't have to go to the Adjutant General's office to get their names, because Mr. Pike procured the certificate of Maj. Littler that they were credited to the town of Waterville.

Q. What record or list did you see of these men bought of Osgood & Manley, in the Adjutant General's office?

A. I cannot tell whether it was a book or roll. I stood before Gen. Hodsdon and he copied off the names. I went myself six or eight times to get names and every time I went Gen. Hodsdon copied the names himself.

Q. Was this copy signed by Gen. Hodsdon?

A. I think it was, sir. It had to be signed by him and carried and left with Maj. Littler, before we could get a certificate that the men were quotaed.

Q. Was there upon the book or list in the Adjutant General's office, any order or endorsement signed by Provost Marshal General Fry?

A. Not that I ever saw.

Q. Did Osgood or Manley or Gen. Hodsdon at any time inform you that the names on said list were credited to towns or districts in the State of Maine by a special order of Provost Marshal General Fry, or from the Secretary of War?

A. Well, we always understood from Osgood and Manley that these men were allowed by the War Department to be credited to such towns in Maine as saw fit to purchase them.

Q. State all that Manley or Osgood told you at any time about the men purchased of them—who they were, where they were, when, where and by whom they were enlisted, and in what branch of the service; and how, and for what consideration they had obtained the control of the list, and the sanction of the War Department to their being assigned?

A. They told us that the men were enlisted at an early period of the war, and no bounties paid them; that they had enlisted at different naval stations. They said certain parties had paid so much apiece to naval agents and had got them allowed at the War Department.

Q. Was it claimed or pretended that these men were residents of Maine?

A. They claimed that part of them were, that they had enlisted in Portland.

Q. What information had you in reference to the twenty men you bought of Pike & Colby?

A. They claimed that they were negro troops, and that they could quota them to any town that they chose to.

Q. To what town did you sell the twenty men you bought of Pike & Colby?

A. I think it was to the town of Waterville.

Q. Was the payment of those twenty men all to you, or was a part of it to Pike & Colby?

A. I think the payment was all to us.

Q. Did not Osgood or Manley, or both of them, offer you the entire list of names at $200 apiece?

A. They offered us the entire list, and I am very positive at $200 apiece.

Q. Was not the price you actually paid them, taking them by lots, $400 apiece?

A. Yes, sir. I think we paid $400 apiece, excepting one lot of men for which we paid $300 apiece.

Q. At the various times that you say you went to the Adjutant General's to get copies from the list, did the Adjutant make any objection to the allowance of these men on the quotas of towns, or raise any questions as to the regularity of the proceedings?

A. Never to my knowledge, in the world. I don't think he ever detained me there when I went after names over ten minutes.

Q. Did Major Littler ever object to allowing this class of men, or allowing the full term of service claimed by you?

A. Mr. Manley or Mr. Osgood gave me a list of three names for the town of Chelsea with General Hodgdon's signature, and I went to Major Littler's with them and he refused to give me a certificate for only *one* year's men, and said that was all the term of service that he could make out with them papers, and I told him that I had agreed to furnish *three* years' men. I went to Osgood & Manley and told them about Major Littler's refusing to give credit for more than one year. They said they could fix that, and that afternoon they came down to see General Hodsdon. The same afternoon Major Littler gave me a certificate for the same three men as *three* years' men.

JAMES P. HILL.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, November 30, 1870.

JOHN N. STIMSON of Alfred, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Whether or not you went to Washington, or as it was called, to the front, in July, 1864, for the purpose of making enlistments under a commission from the Governor of this State?

A. I went on there under a commission from the Governor, and I found many persons there on the same service from other States enlisting our men, and I found my commission was not full enough, and came back and got another one, as per special order No. 69, Adjutant General's Report for 1864–5, vol. 1.

Q. Whether or not you sought this employment, and if so, for what purpose?

A. I did seek it, for the purpose of getting men to fill quotas of towns—*~~*Alfred, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Hollis and Lyman.~~*

Q. What, if any, other persons did you meet or know while in Washington and its vicinity, acting or claiming to act under similar commissions from this State?

A. There were quite a number there in all, I guess, that didn't have commissions all of them. I don't know as they did. William Emery, T. H. Hubbard, A. D. Merrow, Wm. Gaslin, Jr., Mr. Farwell, Joseph H. Manley, James Dunning. James M. Stone came on there; he had nothing to do with getting any men; he came with some money.

Q. Now state particularly the proceedings taken by you under your commission.

A. I carried my letter of appointment to the Provost Marshal of Washington. The first thing I did was to go to the State agency at Washington, kept by a man by the name of Hinds, and showed him my commission. The State had a large office on "F" street, and I found Mr. B. H. Hinds there. I then went to one of the hospitals—I don't recollect which—and got two or three men that day. I think they had passed an order then that those in the Veteran Reserve Corps might enlist on the quota of any State they saw fit, and go upon any town they saw fit. I put in several subs. then for persons that were exempt, and had them mustered in at the Provost Marshal's office there at Washington to go upon the quota of our town. I got two or three colored men there and had them brought down—sent down and mustered in at Portland for quotas of towns to me unknown, †*and put upon our town and Kennebunk.*

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* The words in italics have a line drawn through them in the manuscript.—SAM'L W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.

† In the manuscript a line is drawn through the words in italics, and "for quotas of towns to me unknown," interlined.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.

Q. Were you not required by the fourth clause of the order under which you acted to credit re-enlistments of soldiers, having their residence in this State, to the quota of the town of such residence?

A. I did not understand that I was, and I did in fact make the assignments without any reference to residence.

Q. Did you leave a copy of your commission with the Provost Marshal General at Washington?

A. I did not, but after I had enlisted three or four men at the hospitals and purchased two colored men, I was threatened with arrest by the Provost Marshal of the District, and showed him the authority under which I was acting. I have no recollection of leaving a copy with the Provost Marshal General.

Q. How long were you employed in enlisting men—from what time to what time?

A. I should think I was there South about three weeks.

Q. Now give the list of names of men you enlisted under your said commission, the towns on whose quotas they were assigned, the company and regiment in which they had previously served, and the towns of their original residence as shown by the Adjutant General's Reports.

A. They are stated in the following table, to wit:

Names.	Re-enlisted from.	Original residence.	Assigned to quota of.	Remarks.
Woodbury J. Patch	K, 14	Newfield	Alfred	
John F. Stevens	B, 17	Westbrook	do.	
Ivory Maddox	D, 17	Berwick	do.	
Abner Crocker	G, 16	Strong	do.	
John A. Kimball	K, 19	Bath	do.	
Benjamin R. Allen	A, 20	Alfred	do.	
Joseph Howard	.....	.....	do.	Colored sub.
John F. Quim	.....	.....	do.	Irish "
Charles Follansby	.....	.....	do.	Colored "
Warren C. Bickford	F, 16	Parsonsfield	do.	
*Stephen Brown**	H, 17	.....	.....	
Richard Williams	.....	.....	.....	Colored sub.
Stephen Brown	H, 17	Scarboro'	Kennebunk	
Joseph West	H, 20	Carmel	do.	
H. B. Ferris	B, 20	Milo	do.	
Thomas McCluskey	D, 18	Bangor	do.	
B. F. Choate	I, 19	Whitefield	do.	
Moses McKenny	E, 17	C. Elizabeth	do.	
T. S. Bubier	F, 19	Leeds	do.	
O. H. Mitchell	.....	.....	.....	U. S. V. C.
A. T. Washburn	.....	.....	do.	do.
Abraham Libby	.....	.....	do.	do.
George Boucher	.....	.....	do.	do.
O. A. Hodgman	C, 20	Rumford	do.	
Thomas R. Warren	I, 17	Lebanon	do.	
Wm. L. Hines	G, 14	.....	do.	
Andrew Downes	C, 14	New Orleans	do.	
Thomas A. Bennett	A, 14	Bucksport	do.	
Wm. Craig	.....	.....	do.	Colored sub.
Henry Schmidt	.....	.....	do.	do.
John Massey	.....	.....	do.	do.
Sewall M. Cowan	G, 2	Hampden	do.	
Edwin R. Allen	C, 17	Lewiston	do.	
John L. Sibley	A, 16	Appleton	do.	

* Italics erased in original manuscript.

Q. As to the persons named above as substitutes, state whether they were all sent to Maine to be mustered into the service of the United States?

A. They were not, any of them; **except in the case of the sub. for myself.* They were substitutes for men of the towns to which they were credited, who were then employed in Washington, and an order from the War Department allowed such persons to put in substitutes there to be credited wherever they resided.

Q. Were they so credited?

A. They were; all the persons for whom they were substitutes being residents of Kennebunk and Alfred.

Q. What sums per man did you pay as bounties for these men, and how was the payment made?

A. I paid different prices, from $450 to $625 per man; which sums were intended to cover the State and town bounties. The payment was made to the men.

Q. Did you cause to be executed and duly authenticated and certified, an enlistment contract with each enlisted man, and a muster-in roll showing the enlistment of each, and a credit upon the quota of the State of Maine?

A. **I had a muster-in roll which the mustering officers gave me.* I had one copy of the enlistment papers of each man and a muster-in roll and receipt for bounties, which papers I filed with the proper officers here at the State House, and the State bounty was paid to me and Col. James M. Stone, and we together receipted for the same, I think.

Q. Did any of said re-enlisted men claim, or request to be credited to the quota of the town of their residence?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you not understand that existing laws and orders required them to be so credited.

A. No, sir.

Q. Did Col. James M. Stone have, besides the lot of men named in the above table another lot, or was he interested with you in this list?

A. I don't know of his having any other. I don't know of his having any enlistment rolls or mustering-in papers.

Q. Were you conversant with his proceedings; and would you have been likely to know if he had got a lot of men independently of yourself?

A. I think I should.

Q. From what you learned or heard while in Washington, what number of men did William Emery obtain of the same class?

A. Well, I don't know a great deal about it. After we got down there I switched off from them. I thought they got some men away from me after I had engaged them, by giving larger bounties, and I didn't have much to do with them. My impression is that Mr. Emery didn't get more than half a dozen.

Q. How many men did you understand J. H. Manley procured of the same class?

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A. He pretended to me all the time that he didn't want any—that he wasn't there for men.

Q. How many men of this class did you understand that A. B. Farwell procured?

A. Well, I never heard him say, but I heard some one say that he had twenty-five, but I never believed it.

Q. Have you any reason to believe that he got from forty to sixty men?

A. I shouldn't think he got so many as that at that time.

Q. Whether your operations at Washington were impeded in any way by an order from the War Department; if so, state what the order was, and how you obtained exemption from it?

A. My operations were so impeded, but I don't recollect what the order was. It stopped our enlisting any more men then, and the most of the men who were there enlisting came away that night, and we made them believe that we were coming; but we remained and went to see Provost Marshal Fry, and Mr. Stone went to see Senator Fessenden and got the order removed so far as concerned the men that we had then enlisted, and we were allowed to go on.

JOHN N. STIMSON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, December 7, 1870.

DANIEL T. PIKE of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [1.] Were you engaged in the business of supplying recruits to fill quotas of towns in this State during the years 1864 and 1865? If yea, for what period?

A. I was, during the summer of 1864, and until the close of the war.

Q. [2.] What persons, if any, were concerned with you in said business, and what was the style of your firm?

A. James Colby of Litchfield, now deceased. I don't recollect whether our style was Colby & Pike or Pike Colby. I think both forms were used.

Q. [3]. Where was your place of business? had you clerks, how many, and who?

A. No clerks. Our office was over the Granite Bank, on Water street in this city.

Q. [4.] What company books, if any, contained the transactions of said business; where are they, and will you produce them for examination?

A. Well, we had no regular book, but we kept an account of the business, and all the books and papers which we had were burned in the great fire.

Q. [5.] Did any persons outside of the partnership receive or claim any commission or per centage or share of the profits of said business, in consideration for any service, information, or sanction connected with the business? If yea, state particularly the character of such relations, and the persons with whom they subsisted.

A. No. I will tell you what I did. I sold some of them to brokers and they sold them to towns.

Q. [6.] Upon what, if any, inducements did you engage in said business?

A. The inducement was to make money. I had an agent in Washington to enlist colored persons and others under a law of Congress, who wrote to us to know if we would buy persons already enlisted. He said parties in Washington had men, and wanted us to buy them. This was sometime in August or September, 1864. I told him if they were good I would buy them of him. I had no especial facilities or advantages for carrying on the business.

Q. 1. [7.] Was the communication in the Daily Kennebec Journal of March 3, 1870, entitled a "Review of a portion of the Report of the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts," over the signature "P," written by you? and is the statement of facts therein true and within your personal knowledge?

A. They are. I wrote it. I believe them to be true.

Q. 2. [8.] Was a list or mustering-in roll, or other paper or papers containing a list of men who had been duly enlisted into the marine service of the United States after the commencement of the War of the Rebellion—which enlistments had been or were afterwards credited to districts within this State—brought to Augusta in the year 1864, or exhibited or used there by any officer or person? and if so, by whom?

A. Well, I think you may call it a mustering-in roll. I think it contained the name, the age, the date of enlistment, place of enlistment, and term of service, and I don't know but the birth-place. Such a list was brought to Augusta by a man calling himself Peter Gordon.

Q. 3. [9.] Did you ever see said list, roll or paper; and if so, when, where, and in whose custody, and for what purpose was it shown to or inspected by you?

A. He brought it as the list of names he wanted to sell. I sent him up to the Adjutant General, and went with him, and he said he had nothing to do with it; and I introduced him to the governor, who said it was a United States matter, and referred him to Major Gardiner. I introduced him to Gardiner with this remark—I told him I wanted them if they were good. He said he did not see any objection if the names of the certifying officers were genuine, and that he had the names over to the house and he would see. He had the original signatures, and he would compare them. I went in the next morning and he said he had compared them, and he thought the signatures were genuine, and his clerk in the office then credited about twenty or thirty of them to towns.

Q. 4. [10.] Did said list or paper contain, or was it accompanied by certificates of the proper certifying officers of the United States, of the date of enlistment and the nature and duration of the service of each man therein named—that each had been regularly enlisted into the United States service, was rightfully quotaable to any district of Maine, and had not been quotaed to any other State or district? In further answer to this question, please produce, if you are able, a copy, duplicate or blank similar to said list, paper or certificate; and if you cannot do so, describe the charcter and contents of said paper as fully as you are able.

A. The paper did purport to contain such certificates, and they seemed to

be satisfactory to Maj. Gardiner, as he made no objection. I can't produce a copy or similar paper. I think it was in writing. The heading of the paper was in substance as follows: "The following list of men in the United States Marine Corps are quotaäble to the State of Maine or any district or town therein." Then followed a list of names, with the particulars I have before mentioned, and it was certified to by the person purporting to be the proper recruiting, mustering or certifying officer.

Q. 5. [11.] Were the names upon said list, paper or papers, approved by United States officials? If so, by whom, in what form, and when and how did you obtain the knowledge that they were so approved?

A. Yes, sir. After these twenty or thirty men had been credited three or four days, I went to Maj. Gardiner's office and found that they had been struck off. I asked Maj. Gardiner what it meant, and he said he didn't care about taking the responsibility and was going to refer the matter to Washington for instructions. I had not bought them then, and did not want to buy them until I knew they were good. Gordon didn't want the list sent, as he was afraid he should not get it again, but Maj. Gardiner said he wanted him to have the benefit if they were all right, and if they were not, he didn't want it to go any further. I did not give further thought to it, but soon after thisMaj. Gardiner was removed and Maj. Littler was appointed, and in a few days after he came here I was informed from his office that there were some papers there in which I had some interest. Then I went over and found that the list had been returned with endorsements on it indicating that it had been through various offices, and a peremptory order from Provost Marshal General Fry to credit according to the heading if not already credited.

Q. 5½. [12.] Did you make any complaint of the action of Maj. Gardiner, or make any effort or use any solicitation, direct or indirect, in any quarter to have said action countermanded or Maj. Gardiner removed?

A. I never did.

Q. 6. [13.] Who solicited and obtained such approval, and for what purposes was said approval procured?

A. Nobody that I know of. I don't know of any influence, direct or indirect. I never used any, and don't know that any other person did. Maj. Gardiner sent the paper on for instructions, and I suppose the orders came back as such instructions.

Q. 7. [14.] How and from whom did you first obtain knowledge that there was any such class of men in the service of the United States? Having such knowledge, did you consult or examine said list to verify it; or did you first obtain such knowledge from the list or paper itself?

A. My agent said parties in Washington had the men when he wrote to me, and I told him I wanted them if they were good, and these papers were brought on to test that matter.

Q. 7½. [15.] Who was your said agent?

A. His name was D. E. Francis. He was State agent for enlisting men at Camp Casey.

Q. 8. [16.] If you have said that any United States official approved said list or paper, state whether or not such approval applied to the quotaing of said men

to any district or town in this State, or to their assignment to or distribution among any officials or private persons who might assign or credit them, or any of them, to any district or town in the State?

A. There was this general order in the terms I have already stated.

Q. [17.] Were the names upon said lists or papers offered to the officers or recruiting agents of municipalities *after* their approval by the proper United States officials? Did you or your firm offer said names to any such officers or recruiting agents? If yea, state particularly what and how many names you had, by what documents or papers they were authenticated, by what authority you received and disposed of the same, and for what consideration paid or to be paid, or service rendered or to be rendered by you, you procured the right to control and dispose of said names.

A. Yes, we sold them. There was something over 300 of them, between three and four hundred. They were authenticated by the documents I have already described. I received them by authority of the man of whom I bought them. After Littler received these orders which I have described, he directed his quotaing clerk to credit them to such towns as I indicated. I assumed control of the list. My right was in virtue of a contract with Gordon and others by which I agreed to pay them a certain amount. Most all of these enlistments were on papers, and the person holding the papers was presumed to be the owner of them. I had notified Littler that I had purchased these papers of Gordon and others, and then he directed the quotaing clerk as I have stated.

Q. 11. [18.] Referring to your said communication, did you or your firm purchase men or credits for men contained in said list or paper of the party owning or having charge, or claiming to own or have charge of said list, at a stipulated price per man? If yea, what was said stipulated price for each of the men purchased by you, and was the price or other consideration actually paid? Name the parties of whom said purchase was made, and to whom the consideration was paid, and the time and place of the purchase.

A. Yes, sir, I did purchase as inquired. I had I think about 100 of them before any contract was made. They were one year's men, and I paid about $175 apiece. I had Gordon's authority for selling them, but at that time the price wasn't determined, as he was to consult his associates about the price. After that there was one of his associates, if no more, came on and I agreed to pay and did pay for the balance of the list somewhere about $280 per man. Some of them were three years' men and some were one year's men. The only parties that I knew was Gordon and one Devean, and I think there was a third man whose name I do not know. The money was paid to Gordon and Devean or their order. I bought them at the Mansion House here in Augusta sometime in November, 1864.

Q. 12. [19.] * *If you have named in your previous answers any parties of whom you purchased said names or credits*, state under what authority said parties acted or claimed to act, and what property in said names they had or claimed to have?

A. The parties of whom I purchased did not claim to act under any authority

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except as substitute brokers. They claimed to own them. They intimated that they had paid $100 apiece for the men. I don't know whether they had or not.

Q. 13. [20.] Did you or your firm claim anything, or did any party of whom you purchased claim anything, in fixing the price of sale of these names or credits, for services rendered or expenditures of any kind made in procuring the approval by any official, State or national, of the assignment and distribution of these names? And do you know or have you reason to believe that any money or other equivalent was used or was promised or agreed to be paid by any of your firm, your agents, or by any party or their agents who previously to yourselves had claimed any right of control of these men, in procuring the approval or acquiesence of any official in such assignment or distribution?

A. They did not claim or receive anything on said account. I know there was no money used by our firm for any such purpose, and I have no reason to believe that any was used by anybody else.

Q. 14. [21.] Did you ever see any of these enlisted men or have any correspondence with any of them, or pay them any portion of the bounties procured by you for them, and have you any reason to believe that such men knew that any bounties had been procured or paid for them?

A. No, sir, as to the whole question.

Q. 15. [22.] Did you sell a portion of this class of men to the officers or recruiting agents of various towns in this State? If so, state what towns, the number of men to each, and the price received for each man.

A. We did so sell. I can't state to what towns only in part. We sold to Readfield, Sidney, Embden, Athens, Litchfield, New Portland, Palmyra, Alna, Winslow and Bristol. We sold to about twenty towns, and we sold some to other parties who sold to towns. I cannot say whether the men sold to all the towns I have named were all of this class.

Q. 17. [23.] Are the papers here produced (producing several receipts) signed by yourself or firm, and do they contain the precise sums received by you from said officers or agents?

A. The paper marked "B" [see page 167] annexed to the deposition of William H. Small of Alna was signed by our firm, and contains the precise sum received. The paper dated "Augusta, January 2, 1865," in the case of Readfield—the paper marked "A" [see page 168] annexed to the deposition of Reuben Stodder of Athens—the paper marked "B" [see Anson, "B", page 204] annexed to the deposition of Albert Moore of Anson—the paper marked "A," [see Auburn, "A," page 175] annexed to the deposition of Thomas Littlefield of Auburn—the paper annexed to the deposition of Josiah Merrow of Bowdoinham—the paper marked *"D" [see "B," page 166] annexed to the deposition of John Gray of Embden—the paper marked "A" [see page 171] annexed to the deposition of Samuel Clement of Palmyra—the paper marked "J" [see page 202] annexed to the deposition of S. W. Jackson of Waldoboro'—each and all of them were signed by our firm, and the sums indicated in them were

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* Paper marked "B" not "D" is evidently the document referred to, as paper "D" was signed by Delany, Davis & Yates, and "B" by Pike & Colby.—SAM'L W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

the sums actually paid us. In no instance did we give a receipt for a greater sum than was actually paid us, and if any persons have so testified it must have been the result of a mistake, or because there was some misunderstanding in regard to the term of service of the men.

Q. [24.] What, if any, representations did you make as to these men to the officers or agents purchasing them of you?

A. I usually represented that if they wanted any men that they were sure of—that I would give them an indemnifying bond for—that they had better take these men, for we had men enlisted at Kittery and at Camp Casey, and here on the ground; and I gave them their choice, but would warrant none but the marine corps men.

Q. [25.] Besides sales to towns, did you not sell to other dealers—to one Ira D. Sturgis and S. C. Archer—men taken from said list, which they sold to towns?

A. I sold thirty men to Ira D. Sturgis, which I understood he sold to the town of Vassalboro'. I also sold perhaps thirty or forty to Archer; and I sold twenty to J. P. Deering & Co., which I think went to the town of Newport. I sold some to Wright of Lewiston, I think, and some to Dinsmore of Skowhegan.

Q. [26.] What was the stipulated price at which you sold to dealers?

A. I think it was about $25 less per man than the rate at which I sold to towns.

Q. [27.] When you speak in your said communication of a peremptory order from Provost Marshal General Fry to the A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen. of Maine, do you refer to the order signed by the Provost Marshal General upon said list?

A. I do, and to that only. That is all the order I know of.

Q. [28.] Did the man who brought said list to Augusta exert himself to procure said peremptory order, and remain until it was obtained?

A. He remained in Augusta until it was obtained, but did not, to my knowledge, exert himself to procure it.

Q. [29.] Name the "federal officials" in whose possession said list remained from its presentation to its final allowance?

A. I mean that Gardiner had it, and then it was sent to Washington and they had it, and then it was sent back here and Littler had it.

Q. 24. [30.] Had not said list, after presentation and before its allowance, been sent to Gen. Fry at Washington, and returned with said peremptory order endorsed upon it?

A. It had, as I before stated.

Q. 25. [31.] Were all the men contained in said list, men purporting to have been enlisted in the District of Columbia, and if not, how many purported to have been enlisted in said District, and how many elsewhere? Were all the men which you bought and sold, men purporting to have been enlisted in the District of Columbia?

A. They were. I think the heading purported that they were all in the marine service, but I am not certain that all purported to have been enlisted in the District of Columbia. If it wasn't stated that all enlisted in the District of Columbia, I think it wasn't stated, for I am very certain that no other place was named.

Q. 26. [32.] How do you know that all the men of the marine corps in said list enlisted in the District of Columbia, were certified by United States officials to be entitled to be credited to the State of Maine or any district therein?

A. I know it from the document itself and accompanying certificate.

Q. 27. [33.] *Have you ever seen such certificate, and if so, by what United States official did it purport to be signed? When did you see it, and in whose possession was it? State the terms of it as near as you are able.*

[There is no answer to this question.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

Q. 28. [34.] Was said list credited to the State of Maine because the District of Columbia was not included in any State in the Union—was not that reason valid for any other State, and upon what inducement or whose solicitation was a credit obtained for Maine, which, for that reason, was available to any other State?

A. I have no means of knowing anything about it. I suppose they could have put them on to any State that would pay for them; that is my inference or reasoning.

Q. 29. [35.] Was such credit given to Maine "because the parties to whom said list was furnished complied with some order in reference to bounties to the men?"

A. I don't know. I have stated that problematically as one of the reasons.

Q. 30. [36.] Who were the parties to whom said list was furnished? Name them all, under what authority of law or order, for what purpose and upon what consideration was it so furnished, and in what respect had said order been complied with, or had bounties been paid?

A. The man who brought it here—Gordon—and Devean and another man whose name I do not know. I don't know under what authority of law or order, or for what purpose or consideration, the list was furnished. I don't know that any order in reference to bounties to said men ever was issued. I don't know in what respect said order had been complied with, or that bounties had been paid.

Q. 31. [37.] How did the parties having charge of said list obtain the same from the officials of the Marine Corps in the District of Columbia? Was any consideration paid for the same, directly or indirectly; and under what authority of law or order was said list brought from Washington to Maine?

A. I know nothing about how they obtained it, and I don't know that any consideration was paid for the same directly or indirectly. I don't know of any law or order under which said list was brought to Maine.

Q. 32. [38.] Upon what principle of adjustment were said Marine enlistments subsequently credited to various municipalities in Maine by the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General of the State? What were the positive orders under which the Acting Assistant Prov. Marshal General of Maine made such credits? * *Did you ever see said orders? If so, state when, where, and in whose custody. State the terms of said orders, or produce copies of them if you have them.*

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A. * *No adjustment, it was only a matter of sale by me.* I know of no principle of adjustment. They were credited to carry out contracts made between us and the parties to whom I sold. By the positive orders I refer to the endorsement of Fry upon the list when it was returned.

Q. 33. [39.] Were said credits made equally to the various municipalities, and if not, why not, and upon what basis were they made?

A. They were not made equally to the towns. They were made only to such towns as purchased them of us.

Q. 34. [40.] Upon what authority or under what legal or equitable right did you exact from towns a large *bonus* in money for the men that had been credited to those very towns "in conformity to positive orders from headquarters," which credit had been approved by the Provost Marshal General of the United States?

A. * *They had not been credited to towns by positive orders.* I say I did not exact any bonus from towns which had been credited, but I exacted pay from towns to which I afterwards had them credited under contract of sale with their officers. In these contracts I was to see that said towns were credited with the men which I had agreed should be credited on their quotas prior to the payment.

Q. 35. [41.] Do you mean to say under the 7th head [see Q. 7, [14] page 265] of your communication that you or your firm had no responsible connection with these marine enlistments until after they had been credited to various municipalities in this State by the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General of Maine in conformity to positive orders from headquarters?

A. I mean to say that I had no responsible connection with the list until it was returned with the endorsement of Provost Marshal General Fry. After that I did take possession of it and had control of it, first under a verbal agreement and afterwards under a written memorandum * *contract as to price for which I should sell the men to towns.*

Q. 39. [42.] What property had the person having charge of said list in marine enlistments already credited to municipalities of this State by the A. A. Provost Marshal General of this State, in conformity to orders from headquarters?

A. The question assumes what is incorrect. They had not been credited, but only ordered to be credited.

Q. [43.] What property had such a person in a list of marine enlistments whic hhad already been ordered to be credited to districts and sub-districts in the State of Maine?

A. I don't know, only he had possession. I don't know whether he had any property in it or not.

Q. 40. [44.] What power or authority had you to make good your guaranty that these men should fill the quotas of such municipalities and remain to their undisturbed credit?

A. I had this,—I thought I had property enough to make good the guaranty. I thought I felt sure, because I gave no guaranty until I had the certificate of credit of the Provost Marshal General of the State; and having the

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antecedent authority of the Provost Marshal General Fry, with this certificate, I thought I ran no great risk.

Q. 41. [45.] What value was there in such guaranty when the credit had been given to such towns under ample military authority before you had anything to do with them?

A. No such credit had been given.

Q. [46.] What value was there in such guaranty when you already had the certificate of the Provost Marshal General of the State, under the antecedent authority of the Provost Marshal General of the United States?

A. The value is the test of my belief in the goodness of the men, and in my personal responsibility for each case, for they didn't know anything about any other towns, or about the antecedent authority of the Provost Marshal General of the United States.

Q. [47.] Are suits now pending against you on behalf of one or more towns, based upon the claim that enlistments in the so called marine corps were fictitious and unreal? If so, on behalf of what towns?

A. There are suits now pending against me on behalf of four towns, but not on that basis, except in one case—that of Sidney.

Q. [48.] Did you or your firm at any time consult or confer with any of the State, civil or military officials in reference to the validity of the marine corps enlistments and their legal sufficiency to fill the quotas of towns? If yea, what advice or directions did you receive?

A. We never had any such consultation or conference.

Q. [49.] Did you ever compare said list of names with any record or roll of the marine corps anywhere? and had you any knowledge that any men of those names were in any branch of the national service, or in existence?

A. I never compared them with any list, roll or record, and all the knowledge I had that they were in the service was what I derived from the official list and certificate before referred to.

Q. [50.] Did you procure for sale certain naval recruits, also colored men recruited in Virginia or District of Columbia, and men re-enlisted in the Veteran Reserve Corps, which you sold or had to sell to towns? If so, about how many had you of each class?

A. I never dealt in naval recruits. For the town of Waterville, I don't know but that Colby bought a few of Joseph H. Manley. We enlisted through our agent some men at Camp Casey; I think fifty or more, of whom about one-half were colored men, and I don't know in what branch of service they were.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. [51.] Do you know that any member of Congress at that time had any connection with the obtaining of this list, or trying to get the approval of it by Maj. Gardiner, or procuring the said order of Provost Marshal General Fry?

A. I don't.

Q. [52.] Did you or your firm pay any money to, or promise any service to any official of the United States or this State for procuring said order or any

other order, or for any favor or allowance in procurnig the assignment and crediting of the men, the sale of which you controlled ?

A. We never did.

Q. [53.] Was this marine corps list transferred to any roll or record, or index book, either in the Adjutant General's or Provost Marshal's office? If so, how long did it remain there, and where do you believe it can now be found ?

A. I don't know whether it was ever so transferred. I presume it should be among the files of the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General of this State, wherever they may be.

DANIEL T. PIKE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, December 8, 1870.

A. B. FARWELL of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. 1. Did you proceed to Washington sometime in the year 1864, for the purpose of enlisting men for towns in this State?

A. Well, I shall have to say no to that. In 1864, I think in August, I went to Washington at the suggestion of Mr. Woodward, the librarian, and to see if I could get some men for the town of Sidney.

Q. 2. Under what authority did you undertake such business?

A. Before I left I received a general commission from Gov. Cony to enlist men within the rebel States anywhere within the loyal lines.

Q. 3. If you say you were acting under a commission, civil or military, please produce the same or a copy of it. If you cannot do so, state particularly how your authority therein was limited or described?

A. I cannot produce the commission because it was put into the hands of one of the committees of investigation, since when I have never seen it or been able to find it. It was simply authority to obtain men to be put on to the quotas of towns in this State. It was not a commission, but simply a letter from the governor introducing me to officers, and asking them to afford me facilities to procure enlistments of Maine men.

Q. [4.] Under what law, if any, or general order, if any, were you appointed to said service?

A. Well, I suppose it was under General Order No. 227, from the War Department, and under the United States statute of July 4, 1864.

Q. [5.] Did you hold yourself amenable to said order No. 227?

A. I don't think that I once thought of it during the time that I was in Washington. I held myself under the law and didn't calculate to do anything that wasn't authorized by the public authorities.

Q. [6.] Did you file a certified copy of your letter of appointment with the Provost Marshal General and the commanding officer of the rendezvous at which you recruited?

A. I did not.

Q. [7.] Did your letter of appointment specify the particular field in which you were to operate?

A. I think it specified the District of Columbia, and anywhere in the seceding States within our lines, and didn't designate any particular field.

Q. [8.] Were you to receive, and did you receive, a fixed compensation for your services; and were you to be paid or were you paid a specified sum for each recruit?

A. There was a partial understanding that I was to have $500 for each man furnished to Sidney, and that was the only town that I had any talk with about it. There was no fixed compensation agreed upon for my services.

Q. [9.] Before entering upon your duties, did you report in person to the commanding officer of the district, department or army in which you were to operate for the purpose of getting a pass?

A. I did not.

Q. [10.] Instead of acting under order No. 227, as you have stated, did you not in fact decline a formal commission which would put you under the operations of said order and act under the authority of your letter from Gov. Cony?

A. The letter from Gov. Cony was the authority under which I went to Washington. I declined to take the order or commission as a recruiting agent, on the ground that I wouldn't become a recruiting officer.

Q. [11.] Were you employed or solicited by any town officers or other citizens of Maine to undertake said business?

A. I can't very definitely answer that. I was very earnestly solicited by Mr. Woodward and the town officers of Sidney, and I was earnestly solicited also at a public meeting which was held here at Augusta. I had no talk with ony other town than Sidney. Mr. Obadiah Whittier of Vienna, before I left, requested me to fill the quota of that town, if it could be done, for $500 a man.

Q. 7. [12.] What stipulation, engagement or understanding was there betwixt yourself and each of the towns or persons employing you as to compensation for your services?

A. There wasn't any.

Q. 8. [13.] *Was said enagement in writing, or was it verbal? and if in writing, where is it, and can you annex it to this deposition.*

[There is no answer to this question.—S. W. Lane, Sec. of the Senate.]

Q. 9. [14.] What disbursements in the way of bounties for towns or the State, or for other persons, were you authorized or expected to make?

A. Not any.

Q. 10. [15.] What other persons from Maine were acting, or claiming to act, with you in canvassing for men in the District of Columbia and in the theatre of military operations?

A. John N. Stimson, William Emery, James M. Stone, James Dunning, Joseph H. Manley, William Gaslin, and others whose names I do not recollect.

Q. 11. [16.] What persons from Maine, if any, participated in a conference held in Washington, at which a committee was chosen to confer with the Secretary of War?

A. They were pretty much all of them there, though I do not remember of seeing Mr. Dunning there.

Q. 12. [17.] Were not you or some of said committee referred to the Provost Marshal General's office, and did you not have your principal interview with that officer and receive your sanction or direction from him or from some officer connected with his office?

A. No, sir.

Q. 13. [18.] Did you receive the consent of Mr. Stanton, or of any other officer or person, by an order in writing or printing? If so, annex the same to this deposition. If you cannot do so, state the contents of the same, by whom signed, and by whom and to whom delivered.

A. Mr. Stanton wrote a letter, or signed a letter written by his clerk, to the District Provost Marshal, Maj. Poland, directing him to muster the men that were legally enlisted. We did'nt start until we went to Mr. Stanton and explained the character of our intended operations, and he had given us the letter which I have just described. He bade us God speed in our efforts to get men.

Q. 14. [19.] Was it suggested by yourself or any of your committee to Mr. Stanton, or any officer connected with the War Department, that you were about to advance to the men whose services you expected to engage, town and State bounties for enlisting or re-enlisting?

A. Well, I stated to Mr. Stanton, and Gov. Colby did also, that we did not intend any raid, but that we expected to pay those that we enlisted their legitimate bounties.

Q. 15. [20.] Were there not at the time laws or orders under which men in the service belonging to the State of Maine, re-enlisting for further service, would be asssigned upon the quotas of the towns to which they severally belonged?

A. I think there was a statute of this State providing that those men who were in the service and re-enlisted should be assigned to the towns of their original enlistment; but I knew nothing about the existence of such a law, and it was wholly disregarded in Washington.

Q. 16. [21.] Was there not a custom in the Adjutant General's office of Maine, well known to you, under which assignments of re-enlisted were so made?

A. I didn't know whether there was such a custom or not.

Q. 17. [22.] Did not men from Maine generally claim to have their re-enlistments enure to the benefit of the towns to which they severally belonged?

A. No, sir; that was not generally the case. There were specific instances where men wouldn't consent to anything else.

Q. 18. [23.] Did you not know that the officers and citizens of towns at that time were very strenuous and zealous in claiming the benefit for their towns of the credit of such of their soldiers as should re-enlist for further service?

A. I did not, for the law had just gone into effect, and the towns did not generally know anything about enlistments abroad.

Q. 19. [24.] Was it not a matter of obvious justice which you and the other persons acting under a commission from the governor and bound to regard the interests of the whole State, were required to consider that re-enlisted Maine men should go upon the credit of the towns to which they belonged in reduction of a call upon them for additional recruits?

A. Well, I think my judgment at the time was—and it hasn't changed since—that the State should pay these re-enlisted men their bounties, and if the original towns of their enlistment would pay these bounties they should have the men, but if they would not, then the State should let any town have them that would pay. But Governor Cony took a different view of it.

Q. 20. [25.] Had you at that time a personal acquaintance with Provost Marshal Fry? If so, state particularly the character of your official or personal relations with him.

A. Well, I never had any acquaintance with Provost Marshal General Fry except what grew out of my official relations with him as sanitary agent of this State; and that acquaintance was very limited. I had no personal acquaintance or relations with him, and never saw him out of his office, or there except on business.

Q. 21. [26.] After your said interviews at the War Department, what methods did you take to procure recruits?

A. I went to work and gave public notice that I would pay $500 apiece for men. We each went to work on our own hook getting men.

Q. 22. [27.] To what points or places did you go for such purpose?

A. I obtained all the men that I got, in Washington, and my place of business was at the Maine State Relief Association, No. 271 "F" street, of which B. H. Hinds was agent.

Q. 24. [28.] Did you advertise or send out circulars requesting enlistments and offering bounties and rewards? If so, can you produce such advertisements or circulars, and if not, can you state their contents?

A. I did not, I only posted up a notice in that office that I would give $500 apiece for men who would enlist on the quota of Maine. I have no copy of it. It was a written notice.

Q. 25. [29.] Did you employ or send out agents, assistants or runners to procure men? If you did, whom did you so employ, and to what point or points did you send them or did they go on such service?

A. I did not. I paid one Stephen P. Hart, who was a soldier—non-commissioned officer from Maine—on duty at Camp Barry, I think, $100 for his aid in getting men. This was all the agent or assistant I had.

Q. 26. [30.] *How were such agents paid, by stipulated wages or by a premium or commission for each man enlisted? State the amount of said wages, premium or commission.*

[There is no answer to this question.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

Q. 27. [31.] Were the men you obtained all of them re-enlisted men, or were some of them colored men and aliens, enlisting for the first time? State how many of each class you obtained.

A. I don't think I enlisted any aliens, and but one colored man; all the rest were re-enlisted men. The colored man I hired for my own substitute, and I paid him $550.

Q. 28. [32.] Were the papers required by the second clause of "Special Order 69," issued from the Adjutant General's office of Maine, taken by you and presented at the Adjutant General's office of the State, and if not, state what of said papers were so taken and presented, and why the order in said clause was not fully complied with?

A. Every man that was available to me at the Adjutant General's office that I enlisted was covered by the muster-in roll signed by Major Poland, and by the enlistment paper of each man, and the receipt for the payment of bounty. All these papers were certified by Major Poland, except the receipts, and were deposited by me at the office of the Adjutant General of Maine. Such papers were taken for every man that I enlisted in Washington.

Q. 29. [33.] Do not the original muster-in rolls contain the name of each soldier or substitute enlisted, the place of his residence, description of his person and date of his enlistment?

A. * *I couldn't tell you anything about that.* They were printed muster-in rolls, and I presume they contained those particulars, though I am unable to state in regard to all of the particulars.

Q. 30. [34.] Do not the original receipts referred to in said clause contain the amount of State bounty paid to each enlisted man?

A. The receipts state the amount of bounty paid. I paid $300 in every instance as State bounty, and that was the amount of each receipt, and this amount was refunded to me by the A. A. Pro. Mar. General of this State. No receipt was taken by me for the amount paid over and above this $300. The only State bounty refunded to me was on the men whose enlistment papers I filed in the Adjutant General's office on my return—say twelve or fifteen.

Q. 31. [35.] If you say such papers or any of them were left with the Adjutant General, say where and when you last saw them, and where you believe they may now be found?

A. I have never seen any of those papers except what Mr. Walker, a clerk then in that office, and I found. They are undoubtedly now in the Adjutant General's office.

Q. 32. [36.] Did you publish over your own signature, in the Portland Advertiser of October 5, 1869, a letter which was entitled "Paper Credits," and give therein an account of the number of men you enlisted and the sums you paid for them?

A. Yes, sir, I did.

Q. 33. [37.] Why did you not refer to the original muster-in rolls returned to the Adjutant General's office for the actual number of men you enlisted, and to the original receipts in the same office instead of making an indefinite statement of the number and the sums based upon indefinite letters from B. H. Hinds and Gen. Hodsdon?

A. I made as much of an effort as was possible to find those papers before I published that letter, but it was found impossible to pick out those papers from all the others there in that office.

Q. 33½. [38.] Would not the muster-in rolls of your men be on file, and not distributed among the files of towns in the Adjutant General's office in case of your enlistments, as well as in the case of enlistments by Stimson and other agents?

A. I can't tell anything about that. There never was any muster-in rolls

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handed to an agent, but they were forwarded directly to the Adjutant General, the enlistment papers being the papers which the agents were allowed to take as their evidence of having enlisted the men.

Q. 34. [39.] Did you by actual, personal canvassing procure any men, and were not the men that you obtained control of enlisted for you by B. H. Hinds, and purchased by you of J. H. Manley and William Emery.

A. I am not aware that Mr. Hinds, had anything to do with obtaining any men for me. I personally obtained many men other than those that I bought of other parties.

Q. 35. [40.] How many men did Hinds enlist for you?

A. Not any.

Q. 39. [45.] What men enlisted or procured by you did you find, on your return to Augusta, had been assigned on the general credit of the State or to towns of their original enlistment? State particularly what men had been so severally assigned.

A. Well, that I can't tell you with any sort of definiteness as to the names of the men. My recollection is that they had appropriated and absolutely lost to me somewhere about fifty or sixty of them. They, the Adjutant General and Gov. Cony, told me that they had been assigned to the towns of their original residence, and to the general credit of the State.

Q. 40. [46.] Under what law or order, and by what officer or officers, were enlisted men assigned to the general credit of the State, and where can any record or list be found of such assignment?

A. Well, I can only refer you to the Adjutant General's office. I never saw any record or list of them, nor do I know where such can be found. I don't know under what law or order or by what officers the assignment was made.

Q. 41. [47.] Under what law or order were any of said re-enlisted men assigned to the towns of their original enlistment, and where can any record or list of such assignment be found?

A. * *There wasn't any order about it that I know of.* It was under an order of the Adjutant General of this State, * *I presume* General Order No. 26, date December 22, 1863. I don't know where such record or list may be found.

Q. 42. [48.] Was not said order in existence and referred to in the printed commission under which you acted?

A. I didn't have any commission, and the letter under which I acted made no reference to any law or order.

Q. 43. [49.] To what of the State authorities did you apply for relief after such assignment, and when and where did you call upon them?

A. I originally called on Gen. Hodsdon, and I was referred by him to the Governor. I called upon the General at his office, and upon the Governor at his room here in the State House. I think this was early in September, 1864.

Q. 44. [50.] State particularly all that the said State authorities gave you to understand as to certain unassigned and unclaimed credits which they proposed to give you to reimburse you for enlistments wrongfully assigned?

A. * *They didn't propose to give me any; they proposed to pay me for men*

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they had taken away from me. Governor Cony told me this,—that it was a very great injustice to me if I was obliged to submit to this appropriation of the men without any reimbursement, and went on to say that when I went there he distinctly declined to involve the State in the agency at all, and wouldn't make any advances of money on account of these agencies, but he thought it an entirely fair thing; that I should have enough of these unassigned credits and unclaimed credits to make good the amount of the loss which I had sustained. I do not mean to say that Gov. Cony and Gen. Hodsdon wrongfully assigned said men.

Q. 45. [51.] What did said State authorities say as to how they obtained these credits, the class to which they belonged, and the law or order under which they had a discretion to assign them?

A. They didn't explain anything about it to me. I suppose they thought it was a matter of no interest to me, as it was.

Q. 46. [52.] What was the actual total sum you had disbursed for said enlisted men? Did you not have at one time a memorandum of the same and a list of the men to whom it was paid? If yea, what has become of said memorandum and list?

A. I had but a partial list of them. I cannot recollect what the total sum which I had disbursed was, but it was upwards of $30,000, I think. I am quite sure it was. I didn't keep a complete memorandum of the money I paid out. I kept a memorandum where I paid it direct to the men. I haven't the slightest idea what became of the partial list and memoranda, unless they were burnt in the great fire.

Q. 46½. [53.] Had you provided yourself with cash funds to the amount of $30,000.

A. Yes, sir; I had cash arrangements where I could draw $30,000 at any time then.

Q. 47. [54.] Were not your disbursements for the specific purpose of State and town bounties, the former fixed by law at $100 and $300 per man, and the latter fixed by a competition among towns at that time at an average of about $400 per man?

A. So far as regards the $300, it was to get their receipt for the State bounty, and all that was paid over that I ran my risk to get back by the sale of the men.

Q. 47½. [55.] In September, 1864, about what was the average bounty that towns were paying?

A. I have not the slightest idea.

Q. 47¾. [56.] At the lowest rate which you received for the men substituted for your enlisted men, would you not have been reimbursed for the highest sum you had paid for said men?

A. No, sir; not into a large amount of money. I never received any State bounty for any of the substituted men.

Q. 48. [57.] Was not said State bounty due, absolutely, to whatever town the man might be assigned; and was there any difficulty in securing from the town to which they might be assigned reimbursement of the town bounty to the full amount advanced by you?

A. Each man was absolutely entitled to his bounty, and the person that

had advanced the bounty for him would be entitled to draw it. Equitably the town should refund, but I couldn't ascertain to what towns the men were assigned, so that I couldn't follow up my claim.

Q. 48½. [58.] Did you not in fact receive the State bounties for the men that you enlisted in Washington?

A. I did for all the men that I enlisted myself, and I enlisted in my, judgment, about twenty men. I recollect that when I came home I had only papers for State bounties to the amount of about $3,600.

Q. [59.] What was the highest sum that you paid for any one man?

A. I paid in one instance as high as $700. This was to William Emery for a man I had of him. Five others cost me $650 each, *~~*including the State bounty*~~, and of the balance none cost me less than $500 apiece.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 9, 1870.

Mr. FARWELL appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [60.] Do you claim that for any of the men procured or enlisted by you, the State bounty, if any, advanced by you was paid either to the soldier or any other person, so that you were not directly or indirectly indemnified?

A. There was none of the soldiers that I enlisted that ever drew any bounty from the State excepting what they drew through me.

Q. 49. [61.] Do you not know that the towns to which these men were assigned were eagerly seeking to obtain such credits by offering still larger bounties than you actually advanced?

A. *~~*Yes, I think good many towns were, and I would have sold my papers to these towns if I could have got them.~~* I think many towns in Maine in their anxiety to avoid the draft would have paid much larger bounties than those advanced by me. I can't tell anything about those towns to which they were assigned, for I don't know which they were.

Q. 50. [62.] How were said unassigned and unclaimed credits transferred to you? By what writing, entry or endorsement was the transfer made?

A. They were assigned to me or to these towns by a certificate written and signed by General Hodsdon.

Q. 51. [63.] On what roll, book or paper, and in what form were said credits entered? State the contents of said record, and where you saw it, and in whose custody? By whom did it purport to be signed?

A. I have not the slightest knowledge. The only thing I saw was General Hodsdon's certificate.

Q. 52. [64.] Was there upon any record, roll or paper containing the names

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* Line drawn through the words in italics —S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

of said unassigned credits an endorsement purporting to be signed by the Provost Marshal General, and if yea, what was the purport of the same?

A. I don't know anything about it. I never saw it.

Q. 54. [65.] Was there any paper, list or roll of said unassigned credits which purported to set forth the branch of service in which the men were severally employed, and the date and place of enlistment, and if so, what did it set forth in those respects?

A. Well, I know nothing about any of the lists or matters referred to in the question.

Q. 55. [66.] Was the transfer of these unassigned credits to you, made all at once, of the sixty or seventy men that you actually sold, or were they transferred to you in lots as you engaged to furnish them to towns?

A. They were transferred to me, as appears by the certificates given by Hodsdon, as they were disposed of to various towns.

Q. [67.] Did you have access to a list of said unassigned credits, and leave to transcribe from it at your pleasure to fulfill all the engagements you could make?

A. I did not.

Q. [68.] What restraint was there upon you against taking an excess of names, and by whom and in what way was it exercised?

A. Well, I showed the Governor when I came home precisely what money I had paid out, and what I had to show for it. I told the Governor that I had had an interview with Gen. Hodsdon, and that he did not suggest any way out of the difficulty, and was just as much opposed to the business as he was when I left; and the Governor said he would give me enough of those unassigned credits to make good to me my loss. He said it was a great injustice to me to have to sustain that loss, when those men that I had procured had gone into the State assignments without any fault of mine.

Q. [69.] Did you at the time referred to in your last answer, present an account of your aggregate disbursements for said enlisted men to the Governor, and show vouchers to prove its correctness; and was a sum fixed upon by him and you as equitably due to you on that account?

A. I presented to him no account at all. I presented him the papers that I had. I presented to him such papers as were entirely satisfactory to him. I don't recollect now what they were.

Q. [70.] Was it ascertained by the Governor what precise sum was due to you, or was your claim to be audited by the Adjutant General, the Naval Commission, or any other officer or person?

A. There was nothing said about auditing accounts by the commission, Adjutant General, or anybody else. The matter was adjusted entirely between the Governor and myself. I wish to substitute the following for my previous answer: I presented no regular account to him. I presented the papers which I had as evidence of my payments, and they were entirely satisfactory to him.

Q. [71.] What papers did you show to the Governor? State particularly all the papers you showed to him.

A. Well, I exhibited to the Governor my cash account, the receipts which I took of the men of whom I purchased, and such enlistment papers as I obtained during the last part of my stay in Washington. I also presented to him

some six or seven enlistment papers of men which I procured and which I was able to find in the Adjutant General's office.

Q. [72.] Did you exhibit your said cash account in the book in which it was entered, or a transcript of it drawn from a book or memorandum?

A. I think I exhibited to him the account and minutes taken down by me in Washington in a diary and in a pass-book.

Q. [73.] Did said diary and pass-book so exhibited contain entries of the whole cash disbursements made by and for you on account of all the men enlisted and procured by you in Washington?

A. I think it did with the exception of three men I bought of Manley, for whom I gave my note for $950.

Q. [74.] Did you or the Governor at that time foot up said cash entries and agree upon the amount?

A. I think we did.

Q. [75.] What was the amount?

A. I cannot state the amount with any accuracy.

Q. [76.] At that time had any State bounties been paid to you for those men? If so, how much?

A. At that time there never had been any paid to me.

Q. [77.] So that you did not deduct from your account as footed in the cash book and pass-book any sum for estimated State bounties which were afterwards paid to you?

A. In adjusting the matters with the Governor, in ascertaining the amount of my loss, the receipts for such State bounty as had been paid by or reimbursed to me were deducted from the sum total.

Q. [78.] Were there also deducted such sums as in settlement with Emery and others, of whom you had bought men, were rebated with the understanding that they should collect it as the soldier's State bounty on their receipts, or did the footings contain the whole prices per man which you have already stated?

A. I paid Mr. Emery as I have heretofore indicated in my testimony, and took his receipt therefor, he retaining the State bounty receipts from the soldiers in part payment, according to my present recollection. All monies and money receipts that I held were deducted from the sum of my claim in my settlement with the Governor.

Q. [79.] Making said deduction, state as near as you can what the balance found to be due you for such disbursements was.

A. * There must have been more than $20,000.

Q. [80.] Was your account so far adjusted with the Governor that your claim was determined at a specific sum agreed upon by him and you as equitably or legally due to you?

A. (Given in writing.) My papers were examined by the Governor so far as to determine the amount of my payments for the recruits misassigned in the Adjutant General's office, and in this way was probably determined how much was equitably due me.

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* I wish to correct that. I mean $30,000. (Dec. 10.) S. C.

Q. [81.] You have stated in a previous answer that you also exhibited to the Governor the receipts of the men of whom you purchased men. Do you refer to the receipts of William Emery and J. H. Manley, and had you receipts of any other person?

A. Well, I referred to the receipts of J. H. Manley and William Emery, the only parties of whom I bought men that I now recollect.

Q. [82.] You have stated that you purchased one man of said Emery at $700, and five men of said Emery and Manley at $650 each. Did you take receipts for those sums in detail or in gross?

A. Of Emery I took receipts for two men at those rates, and I paid Manley $1300 for two men and took a receipt for that amount.

Q. [83.] In presenting said receipts as you have said to the Governor, did you apprise him that $300 State bounty was included in said sums which either you or the party of whom you bought had collected or were to collect, and were said sums deducted from the footings?

A. (Given in writing.) I did not claim more than the amount I paid out on any of these enlistments over and above the State bounty, when the enlistment papers could not be found and where the parties of whom I purchased retained the bounty receipts in part payment. I do not remember that we found any of the enlistment papers of the Manley and Emery men, and hence probably did not include those bounty receipts in my claim.

Q. [84.] What do you know or believe as to the disposition of all the original enlistment papers other than the six or seven which you say you exhibited to the Governor?

A. I haven't the slightest knowledge other than the statement of Gen. Hodsdon made to me at the time, and he repeated it to Gov. Cony in my presence. Gen. Hodsdon subsequently wrote me—August 31, 1865—"that muster-in rolls of some sixty or seventy men, enlisted at Washington and vicinity, were received by mail at this office, and the men at once credited to the place of residence, as required by the statutes."

Q. [85.] Have you made examination since in the office of the Adjutant General for the rest of those enlistment papers without being able to find them?

A. Yes.

Q. [86.] If the original enlistment papers corresponding to each man of the same class of some thirty men enlisted by John N. Stimson, are now on file in said office, do you know of any reason why corresponding papers for your sixty or seventy men are not there likewise?

A. (Given in writing.) The answer to the previous question and the quotation from Hodsdon's letter would seem to be a substantial answer to this—that "these papers were received at this office by mail and the men at once accredited to the places of their residence, as required by the Statutes." The reason why Stimson's men can be easily found is that the papers were, doubtless, placed in the hands of the Adjutant General by himself and the men assigned to the quota of his own town and placed in the files for that town. I can suggest no other reason—while these came through the mail and are lost in the files of the numerous towns of the State.

Q. [87.] You have stated the whole number of men enlisted and procured

by you as not varying ten from seventy-five, and that fifty or sixty of these were assigned to towns and lost to you; do you mean to be understood that you had the benefit of from fifteen to twenty-five of the men that you enlisted and procured?

A. I can't undertake to be any more definite as to the number of men whose papers were retained by me, than I have already been. I had the benefit of some twelve to fifteen men which I enlisted, and which had not been assigned excepting according to my direction.

Q. [88.] Where are the enlistment papers of said twelve or fifteen men?

A. The last I saw of them they were in the Adjutant General's office, and I haven't seen them for a long time and never want to see them again.

Q. [89.] What did you receive per man for these twelve or fifteen men?

A. Five of them were assigned to the town of Sidney and I received $560 apiece for them * less the State bounty of $300 each.

Q. [90.] To what other towns did you assign the balance of the men not wrongfully assigned, as you claim?

A. I think some of them were assigned to the town of Winthrop, but I don't remember how many or at what prices. I do not mean to say that they were (wrongfully) assigned.

Q. [91.] For all the twelve or fifteen men, the assignment of which you were allowed to control and did control, did you not receive from the towns to which you sold them, sums which in the aggregate repaid the disbursements made on their account, with a liberal commission to yourself?

A. I did not.

Q. [92.] How much did the sums fall short, if any, of the disbursements made on account of said men?

A. The men cost me on the average $575 apiece, which was more than the average price received.

Q. [93.] Look at the receipts marked A, B and C, [see page 206] respectively, annexed to the deposition of C. A. Wing, and state if the sums there receipted for were the amounts received by you, and if nine of the men referred to therein, were not a portion of your original enlisted men, and if the other two referred to therein did not belong to the class of unassigned credits turned over to you by the Governor?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) My judgment is that the whole belonged to the class of unassigned credits. The sums therein stated were received by me.

Q. [94.] Can you recall any other towns than Winthrop and Sidney to which you sold any of said enlisted men under your control?

A. I think I sold one man to the town of Bristol.

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* (Dec. 10.) S. C.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, December 10, 1870.

A. B. FARWELL appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [95.] When you say your disbursements for men in Washington and vicinity amounted to over $30,000, do you not mean that that was the gross sum, and that you received back a large part of it in State bounties and in the sales of men you disposed of?

A. Well, my judgment is that I paid out considerably more than that sum. I should think that I paid out $5,000 more than that.

Q. [96.] About how much would have been your actual loss provided you had not been reimbursed?

A. Well, I should have been $30,000 out and more too.

Q. [97.] If you bought one man at $700, five men at $650, and sixty-four (64) at $550 each, your total disbursements amounted to $39,150; and if you received State bounties for all your men, and sold twenty as low as those you sold the town of Sidney, you received back $26,200, leaving a balance for which you should have been indemnified of $13,350. By what calculation can you make the balance considerably above that sum?

(After this question was taken down and read to witness he requested to hear all his testimony read before answering it, and it was accordingly read aloud by Gen. Connor.)

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, December 13, 1870.

A. B. FARWELL appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [98.] When you speak of the men that you enlisted, do you intend to embrace all the men you procured in Washington and vicinity, except those bought by you of other recruiting agents and persons?

A. I mean when I speak of the men that I enlisted, all the men that I procured in Washington in any way. I kept no distinction between the men that I enlisted and those that I bought.

Q. [99.] Did you buy any other men than those you bought of Emery and Manley? If so, how many and of whom?

A. Well, my answer would not be that I bought any other men. I obtained through a next friend a pretty large number of men, say thirty-seven or eight, who were enlisted but not mustered at and in the vicinity of Camp Barry.

Q. [100.] Describe the person of whom you obtained the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men, and the character and class of the men?

A. They were largely re-enlisted men. These men, according to my recollection, were all of them, or nearly so, in Maine regiments and some of them in the Veteran Reserve Corps, and a few who had been regulars.

I cannot answer that question as to the person without a violation of my personal honor.

Q. [101.] Now as to this thirty-seven or thirty-eight men, state definitely and explicitly what the arrangements as to State bounty were, and how the same was actually adjusted?

A. (Given in writing.) The State bounty to the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men was paid down to each man by my friend who did the negotiations, as appeared by the papers and receipts which he exhibited to me and which I refunded to him with a small consideration for his labors and good will.

Q. [102.] And when you so refunded, did you not take said papers and receipts as your property after making said payments?

A. I did.

Q. [103.] What did you do with them?

A. The negotiations for the whole number of men, I should say, occupied four or five days. As fast as the papers were placed in my hands and were settled for, they were immediately forwarded to the Adjutant General's office in Augusta. They were all forwarded by mail.

Q. [104.] As to those men, was not the State bounty accounted for by your friend in part payment for the men?

A. No, sir. Every paper that he took was turned over to me. He lived too far off to have anything to do with collecting bounties in Maine. It was also entirely convenient for me to pay for the men myself.

Q. [105.] Were said papers in case of each of the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men, sent to Maine before you came yourself?

A. Most of them were. I am not certain that they all were.

Q. [106.] Did the twelve or fifteen sets of papers that you did bring include any of these?

A. I cannot state that definitely. This transaction was very near the close of my labors in Washington in obtaining men, and whether any of the papers made a part of those that I did bring, I cannot state.

Q. [107.] Were not these in fact the last men you got there?

A. No, sir.

Q. [108.] Were not the receipts referred to in your previous answer taken from these men, on file in the Adjutant General's office when you reached home?

A. Well, I have no doubt they were, but they were never able to find them as belonging to me, and have not been to this day.

Q. [109.] But State bounties were paid for these men to somebody; the men themselves were in Washington, or some part of the South, and had had their bounties, and would not be able or likely to collect it over again; besides the receipts showed that they had already been paid by somebody, and you have said that your friend was too far off to collect State bounties in Maine. Now to whom could the paymaster here have paid those State bounties?

A. There never was one of them ever paid State bounty—not a cent, excepting the twelve or fifteen which I brought home.

Q. [110.] Were not said thirty-seven or thirty-eight men all enlisted in the Veteran Reserve Corps; and do not their names, though you may not be able to remember them, appear in the permanent records and publications of the Adjutant General's office?

A. Very few of them were in the Veteran Reserve Corps, nor were enlisted into it by their re-enlistment papers. I do not think that more than six or eight of my enlistments were Veteran Reserves.

Q. [111.] Were certain original receipts taken from soldiers enlisted by you, in your presence, cancelled and burnt by Governor Cony, for which no State bounties were ever paid to you or by the State to any person? And were said receipts, all or part of the receipts above referred to?

A. **They were. All of the receipts burnt were of the class referred to. This was not done, however, until after the settlement with me by turning over to me the unassigned men heretofore referred to.* In the fall of 1864, or the early winter of 1865, I think it was in November, 1864, a large number of original receipts taken from soldiers enlisted or obtained by me, were *cancelled and burnt* by Governor Cony, in the presence of myself, and I think also of General Hodsdon, for which no State bounty was ever paid to me or by the State to any person or persons. I personally know; for they remained in my custody until the assignments for my benefit had ceased, and then they were placed in the Governor's possession for a final adjudication of this whole matter of enlistment and assignment. These receipts were largely of the class above referred to. They were burned in the fire of the Governor's private room in the State House the day I handed them to him and before we separated. Let me add that of *all the State bounty receipts paid for and taken by me, only the twelve or fifteen referred to heretofore were ever refunded to me or to any other person or persons.*

Q. [112.] After the destruction of said original receipts what was there to prevent every one of said soldiers from appearing and claiming of the paymaster or treasurer his State bounty? And according to the usages of said officers would not said bounties be now paid upon application?

A. I don't know a thing about that, sir.

Q. [113.] Were there any other men procured by you except said thirty-seven or thirty-eight, those bought of Manley and Emery, and those enlisted by yourself?

A. I can't answer that definitely. I know I obtained more men. Yes, I must have obtained some more that I didn't personally enlist. I don't think I got a half a dozen more, but I don't recollect.

Q. [114.] Can you name any person, other than those you have named, from whom you obtained men?

A. I cannot.

Q. [115.] Are not said thirty-seven or thirty-eight men, the six bought of Emery and Manley, and the twelve or fifteen whose assignment was not disturbed—amounting to fifty-nine at the outside—all that you can now recollect,

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* This answer has a line drawn through it, and the following is attached on a separate sheet.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

or all that you could recollect at the time of your said communication in the Portland Advertiser?

A. I can't recall anybody that I purchased them of. I only know that I had more than fifty-nine men.

Q. [116.] If you have or had such definite recollection, why did you appeal to Mr. Hinds and General Hodsdon for information as to the number?

A. (Given in writing.) There was a threatened investigation at that time of all matters connected with enlistments, substitutes, &c. My name had been bandied about the State as one largely involved in this questionable enterprise, and hence I felt it my duty to show precisely what I did in that line, and what I did not do, by those who were fully possessed of the information. These parties to whom I wrote knew, and hence I wrote them as a matter of prudence and precaution. They gave me such testimony as I expected and which I submitted to the public.

Q. [117.] With the receipts and papers which you say Gov. Cony burnt, and no pretence that the soldiers' bounties had been paid to any other person than yourself, what obstacle was there in the way of your collecting the State bounty on those papers just as you did for the twelve or fifteen which were paid to you?

A. There were no accompanying enlisting papers with the town bounty receipts which were destroyed, and hence nothing upon which the payment could be based. A simple State bounty receipt without evidence of enlistment and muster was not sufficient to command State bounty.

Q. [118.] Do I understand you to say that the receipts and papers for twelve or fifteen of the men were brought home by you, or did the number of papers brought home include a number of the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men?

A. I mean to say that I had with me the number of papers for men whose assignment was not disturbed—twelve or fifteen in all.

Q. [119.] How does it happen then that the Adjutant General, in his communication to you of August 31, 1865, says that muster-in rolls for sixty or seventy enlisted men, being the precise number you state as the total you procured, were received by mail at his office?

A. Well, sir, I can't tell you anything about that. I expect the Adjutant General stated the fact as he understood it. I can't hold myself responsible for the Adjutant General's statement. He wrote that letter to me without any interview and without consultation. It is very probable that at that late day he might have been receiving enlistment papers from other sources.

Q. [120.] As to the whole sixty or seventy men, did you not have in your possession, when you came home to Augusta, receipts and other papers to show that their State bounties had been paid, and that they had been enlisted by you to be assigned to any town to which you saw fit to assign them?

A. I did not. Excepting the twelve or fifteen, I had nothing to show for the balance but a naked receipt for the amount of the State bounty, the town to which they were assigned being blank; and I had no other papers excepting some minutes in a diary and pass-book, as I have before stated.

Q. [121.] With said receipts do you know of any impediment in the way of your receiving the State bounties, of the payment of which your proof seemed to be complete and even satisfactory to the adjutant?

A. Both the Adjutant General and Gov. Cony told me that no receipts for State bounty were sufficient to pay State bounty upon, unless accompanied by and based upon the muster-in rolls or enlistment papers of men to correspond.

Q. [122.] Well, if you had all the receipts, and the Adjutant General had on his files, as he certifies, the muster-in rolls for sixty or seventy men, why didn't your case come even within that requirement?

A. Gen. Hodsdon did not tell me that he had on his rolls any sixty or seventy men, or any other men, but Gen. Hodsdon told me that it was absolutely impossible to trace those men through the files of that office.

Q. [123.] You have said that when you went to Washington you found recruiting agents offering $300 apiece for men, and that you immediately offered $500. Now how many men did you get for $500 apiece?

A. I don't think I said I got a good many men at that price; the fact is I got but few, for the other recruiting agents immediately offered $650 apiece.

Q. [124.] Was a certain number of unassigned credits fixed by the Governor and turned over to you at the time of your said adjustment? If so, what was the number and at what price per man were they so turned over?

A. (Given in writing.) There was no certain number turned over to me at that time by the Governor. It was only agreed that enough should be assigned to towns designated by me to reimburse me — the credits to be sold at the best price that could be obtained.

Q. [125.] Who was to determine when you were fully reimbursed?

A. That power was most emphatically with the Governor, and there was no disagreement between the Governor and myself.

Q. [126.] Did you render an account of sales to the Governor and settle the matter of your claims and those assignments?

A. In the assignment of the naval credits he was very particular to have exhibited to him all the evidences of the credits assigned and the amounts received therefor as fast as done that he might know when to recall his order to the Adjutant General.

Q. [127.] Were you exactly reimbursed, or was there a balance? If so, how much and upon which side?

A. Well, sir, I don't think there was a thousand dollars either way, as I did not go to Washington on a money making mission in connection with enlistments.

Q. [128.] Do you not know that other men had access to the same list of unassigned credits and were transcribing them and selling them to towns under the sanction of the State military authorities?

A. (Given in writing.) I do not know that other men or any men had access to the list of unassigned general credits for the purpose of taking names therefrom, or that they were selling them to towns. I never saw the list and hence have no knowledge of it.

Q. [129.] Do you not know that J. H. Manley, J. P. Deering & Co., Colby & Pike, or others were transcribing and selling said unassigned credits?

A. I do not know one thing about it.

Q. [130.] With all your familiarity with military and civil affairs and with the officials, civil and military of Augusta, is it possible that you did not know

that these persons, or some of them, were selling men or names of men of the same class as those transferred to you, to officers and agents of towns in this State?

A. In answer to this question, first let me say that I had no such familiarity with the military and civil officials of the State as the question implies, that I had not and never had the slightest idea what any of those men were doing in peddling any of these general unassigned credits. I only heard of their conduct by common rumor.

Q. 60. [131.] To reimburse them for what expenditures or upon what consideration or public policy did you understand that these unassigned credits were put at the disposal of these or any other persons?

A. I had not supposed that any of this class of men had gone into the hands of the men referred to above. I have no personal knowledge that they did not. If they did I cannot divine the why or the wherefore.

Q. 61. [132.] Did you not in some instances assign to the credit of certain towns for which you undertook to furnish men, names taken from said list of unassigned credits, which were afterwards claimed by other brokers as on the credit of other towns?

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. 62. [133.] Did you sell twelve men or names to the town of Mercer, taken from said list? If yea, give their names, the class to which they belonged, and as full a description of them as you can, and state the price at which they were sold?

A. I did sell twelve men to that town. I do not know from what list they were taken; they were forwarded to me on a slip of paper from the Adjutant General's office, and then placed on a blank previously furnished me. I do not remember one of their names. I think they paid me $400 each, but it may have been $500.

Q. 63. [134.] Are the twelve men assigned to said Mercer, the same that were first assigned by you to said town?

A. I have had no information to the contrary.

Q. 64. [135.] Did you not at first put upon the quota of said Mercer twelve names, taken from said list, which one Delaney claimed he had already sold to the town of Newcastle and put upon its quota; and did you not surrender said names to said Delany and transcribe twelve other names to fill their places?

A. No, sir; I did not.

Q. 65. [136.] Was not this a matter of controversy between you and Delany, and were you not threatened by him with arrest on account of it?

A. No, sir, there was no such talk of any kind or description.

Q. 65½. [137.] Did you not send a letter to said Delany by the hand of H. S. Osgood or some other person after some dispute about said Mercer men, in which you advised the said Delany "to mind his own business and it would be better for him," or words to that effect?

A. I am entirely sure that I never did.

Q. 66. [138.] Did you know who regulated the distribution among the brokers who undertook to sell and did sell this class of unassigned credits,

and what person or tribunal was it understood should settle controversies that arose or might arise as to their conflicting claims for men?

A. I never heard of any distribution of these credits among the class of brokers you speak of, nor did I ever hear of the arbitrating tribunal you speak of for settling conflicts between different claimants.

Q. 67. [139.] Did you sell twelve men to the town of Norridgewock, taken from said list? If so, give the names and description of the men, with the prices at which they were sold?

A. I never did take any names from any list in the Adjutant General's office in any one instance. In all cases a list of names was sent to me at my office, I sending for the number of men I wanted. I sold twelve men to Norridgewock furnished me as above.

Q. 68. [140.] Did not the papers to which you had access indicate that the twelve men assigned to Mercer and the twelve men assigned to Norridgewock were of the same class—were all enlisted on the Receiving Ship Ohio, and were all persons not having any residence within this State?

A. I don't recollect about that. I have no recollection whether they purported to be Maine men or not; they were understood to be men in the naval service and liable to assignment by the Governor.

Q. 68½. [141.] Were not your said unassigned naval credits sold by you to the towns of Mercer, Norridgewock, Sidney, Starks, Waldoboro' and Winthrop —sixty-nine men in all—at an aggregate price of about thirty thousand dollars?

A. That is doubtless substantially correct.

Q. [142.] As to said towns, did you not prepare and fill up in your own handwriting, and cause to be signed by their respective selectmen, returns wherein that number of men by the same names were claimed as residents of said towns subject to enrolment and in the service of the United States as seamen therefrom?

A. I wrote the names in the returns from these towns, transcribing them from a list furnished me by the Adjutant General, and filled up the returns. The question of signing the returns was entirely optional with the municipal officers of the towns. I used no persuasion with them, and, in all cases of hesitation referred them to the Adjutant General's office. The Adjutant General had told me that he wanted these returns made from these towns in order to have his records uniform and of easy reference, and correct. Subsequently the Adjutant General modified his manner of assigning men to me by assigning them by a certificate certifying the *number* of men to me instead of giving the names. The names were furnished by the Adjutant General to the Provost Marshal, who gave a certificate to towns that their quota had been filled, or that so many men had been assigned to their credit.

Q. [143.] Do you know anything of any lists of men claimed to be in the marine corps, in whose possession said lists were, and what efforts were made to get the assignment of them to the State or towns, sanctioned by the State and national authorities?

A. While I was confined to my bed on the United States Arsenal grounds, a Capt. Forrest, representing himself to be Capt. Forrest, saying to me that he was a son-in-law of Mr. Stewart of Farmington, and presenting a letter from

him, or purporting to be from him, said to me that he had a list of genuine marine enlistments which he desired to place to the credit of towns in Maine; that in order to do so he thought they would have to be endorsed and approved by the Adjutant General; that he came to get me to introduce him to the Adjutant General, but as I was sick he desired a letter. I think my brother-in-law, the commandant of the arsenal, wrote a very short note to the Adjutant General, describing the circumstances of Forrest's visit, and I signed it. With that note he left our house with his roll of papers. Very soon afterwards—I should say within an hour—the Adjutant General came to my room bringing the roll with him, asking me whether I had any personal interest in the disposition of those names, or the action to be taken on that list. I told him I had not, that I had never seen them or the gentleman who presented them before. When I said that Hodsdon immediately responded, "well, they are a bogus concern. It is another effort at swindling." I told Hodsdon that was my impression, as soon as I saw the list. He wanted to know why. I told him that the paper contained four or five sheets tied together with a piece of blue ribbon, and was signed by the certifying officers of the barracks on the last page; there were names on every page, and the list was unsealed. I told the general that in all papers containing more than one sheet of paper, issuing from the marine barracks, it was the universal custom to attach them with a red ribbon through the left hand upper corner, then bring the ribbon down about half way the margin, carrying it crosswise in the shape of a diamond, and then to put the department seal, made of wax, with a metallic covering, over the crossing of the ends of the ribbon. Hodsdon seemed very angry about the matter. When he left me he said "I'll make short work of that chap." Mr. Gilbreth took him to the State House. Mr. Gilbreth said that as soon as Gen. Hodsdon reached his office he at once endorsed the list with his emphatic rejection, and Forrest left the office immediately without making any remonstrances. The list was afterwards repudiated by Maj. Gardiner, as I heard. This is the same list which Gen. Hodsdon refers to in his official report as afterwards manipulated and the men assigned by Pike.

Q. [144.] Were you employed in behalf of the State to go to Washington to ascertain the number and names of unassigned recruits that rightfully belonged to Maine that they might be allowed in some way upon the State's quota?

A. That was no part of my appointment, as at its date the law had not passed Congress. After the passage of the law the Governor particularly requested me to keep an eye out for men who had enlisted into the navy from Maine and so far had not been credited. In furtherance of this request I found the names of about thirty men who had enlisted from Maine and forwarded them to the Adjutant General, and they were credited to the towns of their residence. I received no compensation in any way on that account.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 16, 1870.

A. B. FARWELL appeared and his examination was continued.

Witness expressed the desire to have his deposition, so far as taken, read to him, and it was accordingly read. He then said, "I wish to correct my answer to question 30 [34] on the * 243d [276] page as follows:"

A. My recollection is that at that time the State did not recognize any such payment as town bounties by towns, but the State paid the whole amount and the town refunded. I wish to correct my answer on page 243 [279] relative to the number of men that I enlisted myself, and to say there were twelve or fifteen, instead of twenty. I want to correct my testimony on page 283 [291] so far as I refer to official statements in General Hodsdon's Reports in connection with the list presented by one Forrest and to say that it was a letter dated August 31, 1865, from General Hodsdon to me, and not his Report.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [145.] You seem to have made a distinction between the men enlisted by yourself, and the other men that you procured. What other class of men did you procure than those enlisted by yourself, and how many?

A. I am not aware that I have made any such distinction. I did not procure any other class. They were all substantially alike except the difference between men in the active and the Veteran Reserve Corps. I do not now remember how many others I obtained, nor of whom.

Q. [146.] How did you procure the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men which you claimed to control?

A. I obtained those men through a gentleman whom I employed to get them for me as heretofore stated. My recollection is, that I advanced him fully one-half of his payment and possibly more. He paid the men and brought to me all the papers and I paid him the balance.

Q. [147.] Were all these thirty-seven or thirty-eight men mustered by Capt. Poland?

A. I have no personal knowledge of that. There was but one mustering office in Washington, to my knowledge.

Q. [148.] Now can you recollect a class of men or a single man procured by yourself, who was not either enlisted by yourself or purchased of Manley or of Emery, or obtained through the agency of your friend whose name you do not disclose?

A. I recollect that through the personal efforts of Sergeant Hart I obtained some men, beyond that I would not undertake to state, with any definiteness, how many I obtained, or of whom.

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* Question 30 [34] appears on page 234 of the manuscript.—SAM'L W. LANE, Sec'y of the Senate.

Q. [149.] But were not the twelve or fifteen men which you say you enlisted yourself, obtained through the agency of Sergeant Hart?

A. I don't recollect anything about it. I dare say they were. Some of them may have been of that class.

Q. [150.] Do you then have a distinct recollection that Sergeant Hart procured for you any other men than the said twelve or fifteen?

A. I have no recollection that he obtained any others or that he obtained all of the twelve or fifteen.

Q. [151.] Was Stephen P. Hart engaged by you for this service early, or late in your operations?

A. It was pretty early.

Q. [152.] Did said Hart re-enlist himself before he enlisted other men for you?

A. He did.

Q. [153.] Was he the first or about the first man you procured?

A. I think he was among the earliest that I enlisted.

Q. [154.] Was he mustered-in at the time he enlisted and his bounty paid?

A. I think he was mustered-in very promptly—the first convenient opportunity.

Q. [155.] Was James M. Stone on the Committee on which you were to wait upon Secretary Stanton?

A. He was.

Q. [156.] You have said that the receipts for the thirty-seven or thirty-eight men were delivered to you by your friend when you paid for the men.—Mr. Hodsdon's communication to you already referred to and copied in your said communication to the Advertiser, speaks of receipts as in your possession. When you speak of sending all papers by mail to the Adjutant General, do you intend to include the receipts for State bounty, or exclude them?

A. I intend to exclude the receipts for State bounty. They remained in my possession as stated in General Hodsdon's letter.

Q. [157.] Then do you claim or not that any State bounty receipts were lost or mislaid?

A. I do not.

Q. [158.] Were not all the recruiting agents required to put all their new enlistments into the Veteran Reserve Corps?

A. I never heard of any agent being required to do it.

Q. [159.] Was it not within the scope of the authority of the Maine recruiting officers under orders, both of the Adjutant General of the United States and of the State, to assign the men to the quotas of particular towns at the time of their mustering in, and were not all your men actually mustered so assigned by the mustering officer in accordance with your request?

A. (Given in writing.) I don't know anything about the authorities of the Maine recruiting agents under their orders. I was not one of them. I don't think that any of my recruits were designated for any town, except a few to Sidney.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. [160.] Did any member of Congress from Maine, or any official of Maine

directly or indirectly, to your knowledge, receive any portion of the money paid to you by the town of Mercer or any other town for men put on their quotas, or as compensation for any service, aid or assistance rendered by him about the filling of said quotas, or as his share of any interest which he had in the matter of filling said quotas?

A. Not one.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, December 17, 1870.

A. B. FARWELL appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [161.] Do you wish to make any further statements concerning the matters upon which you have been examined, other than such as are responsive to the foregoing questions?

A. I wish to make the following statements: If the Commission will allow me, I shall be glad to avail myself of this opportunity to submit a brief statement, as part of my deposition, of some facts that would probably never, through any other channel, attract the attention of the readers of your report. In confirmation of the main features of my testimony, I desire to submit the following abstract from a letter from Adjutant General Hodsdon, dated August 31, 1865, written to me pending an investigation similar to this, and when the transactions were fresh in his memory. He said, "that in the summer or fall of 1864, muster-in rolls of some sixty or seventy enlisted men at Washington and vicinity were by mail received at this office, and the men at once credited to the place of their residence, who it subsequently appeared from receipts, &c., in your possession, were enlisted and paid their *town bounty* by you to fill such quotas as you saw fit or had contracted to fill. Under these circumstances Governor Cony directed that of the unassigned 'General Credits' a sufficient number of men be placed at your disposal to make good the misappropriation of your enlistments, and *no more than sufficient were thus appropriated by you.* No other men have been assigned for your benefit, at your suggestion or placed at your disposal in any way or manner." This was avowed to be a full and complete vindication of my transactions, so far as I had relations with the State through the Adjutant General's office or with the Executive. Subsequently a rumor was put afloat that I was filling quotas through the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal's office, and in reply to enquiry that officer wrote me that he "would say that you have not presented any papers purporting to represent men to my office. I have no knowledge of your furnishing substitutes or filling quotas of towns. In fact I can say that since my connection with the office you have transacted no business therewith. Upon enquiry I learn none were ever presented to my predecessor by you." Thus you will observe, that the entire number of men and credits placed to the quotas of all towns by me did not exceed some seventy men—less, rather than more—and with no pretence that any of them were manufactured, bogus or "paper credits." The evidence

of their verity and worthiness is the official endorsement of Gov. Cony, Major Gardiner, Adj't Gen. Hodsdon, Gen. Fry: and the insatiable and uncompromising determination of these delinquent sub-districts to fill their quotas and swell the armies of the Republic with this class of naval heroes. I desire also to add, that the Governor required the fullest and most complete exhibit of my expenditures in the District of Columbia during this recruiting trip, and only considered the question of justice and equity to me after possessing himself of all available evidence possible. He also satisfied himself that it was impossible to restore the scattered enlistments to me before he would conclude to order the "Naval Credits" put to my disposal in place of the misassigned. This being done, he placed me in position to avoid the calamity which menaced me. In the assignment of the "Naval Credits," he was very particular to have exhibited to him all evidences of the credits assigned and amounts received therefor, as fast as done, that he might know when to recall his order to his Adjutant General. I report what I have heretofore said, that my vouchers and minutes and books were not very well arranged for easy adjustment. Yet the facts were plain enough to tell the story of my dispoilment without difficulty, and to enable the Executive to do me the justice to relieve me of the embarrassments which imprudence and a want of experience on my part in this kind of business, and a too hasty and too prompt action in the Adjutant General's office subjected me to. I am sure that it is my duty to say thus much of that careful and pains-taking agent of the State; always more anxious to preserve the honor, integrity and good name of his State than to add lustre to a name already well cherished in public estimation, and as Chief Magistrate ranking among the foremost in the nation. In concluding this deposition, I ask the privilege of saying that it is quite probable that many apparent discrepancies may be discovered in my testimony. If so, it will not be forgotten that a long time has elapsed—more than six years—since these transactions took place, and with little data to guide me absolute accuracy would quite astonish me. Therefore I bespeak the charity of the Commission in any cases of seeming error and misstatement. It is the product of the best memory and the most careful consideration that I have been able to give in attempting to explain this simple matter of placing about three score of recruits on a few patriotic towns in Maine, and for which at the time I was congratulated by the *politicians then and promised abundant blessings by the heroic towns whose sons and citizens had been saved from the threatened dangers of standing on the "perilous edge of battle."*

A. B. FARWELL.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, December 15, 1870.

H. A. WILLIAMS of Monmouth, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you enter into partnership with Delany and others in the business of supplying recruits? If so, when did the partnership commence and how long did it continue?

A. I did. I commenced about the first of January, 1865, and continued to the time of Mr. Delaney's arrest. There was no company business after that time, and I think for some weeks before.

Q. Had you any personal connection or pecuniary interest in what were called J. P. Heath men, general credit men and sometimes paper men and sometimes Receiving-ship Ohio men?

A. I had no personal connection or pecuniary interest in any such men, to my knowledge. There was a talk at the time I went into the partnership of a list of men that they had possession of, but I was not to share in it. My own business was the procuring of enlisted men save that in one instance I bought some half-dozen men of Capt. Cochrane that were already certified by Major Littler as quotaed to some town in this State, but what town I do not remember. These men were what were called paper men.

H. A. WILLIAMS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, December 27, 1870.

Z. R. WRIGHT of Lewiston, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. During the years 1864 and 1865 were you engaged in recruiting men for the service of the United States; and if so, during what portion of said years, and where?

A. I was engaged in recruiting men for all of the year 1864, and two or three months of the year 1865, principally at Lewiston. My main office was at Lewiston, but for a short time I had an office at Auburn.

Q. Were the men recruited by you, in all cases, to your knowledge, actual men?

A. They were.

Q. Were you also during said period engaged in the business of selling credits to towns to fill their quotas under the calls of the President for men?

A. I was not engaged, as principal, in selling credits, but I did sell the men that I enlisted, to towns to fill their quotas.

Q. If you acted as agent for any person or firm in the business of selling credits, state the name of such person or firm.

A. I acted as agent for G. P. Cochrane in the case of the town of Warren. I came over here with some men to have them mustered in, and while here I saw Mr. Mathews and Mr. Bean of Warren, who were looking for men to fill the quota of Warren. Mr. Mathews asked me about men, and I asked him what he would pay, and he told me what they could pay, but I do not now recollect the price. I told him I thought I could refer him to a man who would furnish the men. I then went and saw G. P. Cochrane, and asked him what he would give me to find him a man who would pay so much, naming the price, for men to fill the quota of his town? We made a trade, and he was to give me so much per man, but I have forgotten how much. I then introduced Mr. Mathews and Mr. Bean to Mr. Cochrane, and they made a trade with Cochrane. I also acted as agent of Herriman, Libby & Co., who were doing business at Auburn. I don't know who the other member or members of the firm was or were.

Q. Did you personally agree with Mr. Mathews, acting for the town of Warren, upon the price per man to be credited to the quota of Warren, and to furnish the men?

A. I think I did not.

Q. Did you know anything about the men, who they were, or how they were obtained—which were sold, in this transaction, by Cochrane to be credited to the town of Warren?

A. I knew nothing about them.

Q. Did you write a letter to Mr. Mathews in relation to these men, and if so, is this letter dated February 18, 1865, and marked D, [see D, page 193] and annexed to the deposition of said Mathews, the letter which you addressed to him?

A. I did, and this is the letter.

Q. In said letter you state that you agreed with C. T. Bean to put fifteen men on the quota of Warren. How do you reconcile this statement with the one which you have just made that you introduced Mathews and Bean to Mr. Cochrane and that they made a trade with Cochrane?

A. It was at his suggestion, as he was selectman of Warren and Bean agent, and he wanted the transaction to appear in the name of C. T. Bean, as he denominated him as the agent. I actually negotiated with Cochrane, as I have here stated. I never got anything; neither did Mr. Cochrane, as he informed me, and hence I wrote the letter to Mr. Mathews.

Q. If you knew nothing about said men, and did not furnish them yourself as you have stated, why did you state in said letter that you could get $650 per man for them by reassigning them?

A. I presume I could have got $650 for a man. I supposed I could get that amount per man by having them re-assigned through Cochrane, or rather I mean that Cochrane could get that sum.

Q. State in what negotiations to furnish credits to fill the quotas of towns, you acted as agent for Herriman, Libby & Co.

A. In relation to these credits referred to, I procurred a certain number of men from Pike & Colby, I can't recollect how many, for Herriman, Libby & Co. I don't recollect how many of these there were, because they were mixed up

with navy men I got at Kittery and men that I actually enlisted. There were quite a number of towns where I acted as agent for Herriman, Libby & Co. in negotiating to sell credits to fill their quotas.

Q. Do you recollect of negotiating as such agent with the officers of the town of Strong to fill its quota in 1864 or 1865?

A. I don't.

Q. Did you have as such agent anything to do in procuring credits for any quota of that town?

A. I did. I arranged with Pike & Colby to have those credits assigned to that town for Herriman, Libby & Co.

Q. Do you know how many men you got of Pike & Colby for that purpose?

A. I do not.

Q. Do you know anything about the men—who they were, or where they were, or how Pike & Colby obtained them?

A. I never knew anything about them. Pike & Colby told me that they were credits authorized by an act of Congress.

Q. Do you know how many men you got of Pike & Colby for said purpose?

A. I do not.

Q. What were Pike & Colby to have per man for said men?

A. It is my impression that they were to have $400 or $450 per man, but I cannot state precisely.

Q. Do you know what sum per man the town of Strong paid Herriman Libby & Co. for them?

A. I do not.

Q. What compensation did Herriman, Libby & Co. give you for your services in this behalf?

A. I couldn't state. I don't recollect.

Q. Do you recollect of any other town or towns to fill whose quotas you acted as agent for Herriman, Libby & Co.?

A. I acted for Danville but I don't recollect whether with these credits or not. I don't recollect any other towns, but I know there were two or three other towns.

Q. Did you keep any book or memorandum of your transactions as such agent to procure credits to fill the quotas of towns?

A. I did not.

Q. Did you act as such agent in procuring credits for the town of Bethel?

A. I can't remember.

Q. Did you act as such agent in procuring credits for the town of Leeds? If so, state what you did?

A. I am pretty positive that I never had anything to do with the town of Leeds.

Q. Did you act as such agent in procuring credits for the towns of Lisbon, Mexico, Phillips, Rumford, Salem and Webster? If so, state what you did in relation thereto?

A. I think I did of Mexico, Phillips, Salem and Rumford, and I think I did not of the others. All I did was to apply to Pike & Colby for the credits for these towns, and they had them assigned to the towns.

Q. What representations, if any, did Pike & Colby make to you about these men?

A. I know nothing except that they represented them to me as proper credits, being authorized by act of Congress.

Q. Do you know how much in the aggregate, or per man, they were paid by Herriman, Libby & Co. for these men, or how much Herriman, Libby & Co. got for them?

A. I couldn't state in any instance the exact sum.

Q. What did Herriman, Libby & Co pay you for your services in the whole or as to each town?

A. I couldn't tell since I don't know the number of men to each town, or the price per man.

Q. Were you during said period, at any time, a partner with Herriman, Libby & Co. or any other person in procuring such credits?

A. I never was properly a partner.

Q. Did you have any share or interest as partner with Herriman, Libby & Co. in their profits in filling the quotas of towns with such credits?

A. I did not.

Q. How were you paid for your services as their agent?

A. I was paid so much for every man. I do not recollect how much.

Q. Did you keep a memorandum of the sums you received for your services as their agent, and if so, where is it?

A. If I kept any—I don't know that I kept any—I don't know where it is.

Q. Did you have anything else to do in furnishing the credits for said towns, other than what you have already stated?

A. Not that I recollect of.

Z. R. WRIGHT.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, January 11, 1871.

IRA D. STURGIS of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY GEN'L CONNOR.

Q. Did you furnish the town of Vassalboro' with any men for its quota under any of its calls for the year 1864?

A. I don't know as it should be said that I furnished the men; I learned that Mr. Pike had some men and I told our selectmen about it and they advised and requested me to buy them. I then went to see Mr. Pike and he said he had the men and told me that I could learn the facts about them by going to the Adjutant General's office. I did go to the Adjutant General's office and asked the Adjutant General if Mr. Pike had men there that he could put on the quota of towns, and he said he had. We wanted thirty and he said Mr. Pike had that number and something more. I then saw Mr. Pike and traded with him for thirty men.

Q. What price per man did you pay?

A. I think it was something like $425 per man. I don't recollect just what it was.

Q. Did you receive from the town the exact sum paid by you for the men?

A. I did receive the exact sum with the interest. I think I gave Mr. Low, one of the selectmen, the papers just as I received them.

Q. Look at this receipt marked "A" [See Vassalboro', "A," page 198,] dated January 14, 1865, annexed to the deposition of Orrick Hawes, and state whether the amount therein stated was paid by you to Mr. Pike for the thirty men procured by you of him?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) I presume the amount therein stated is correct. What the town paid me was what I paid for the men.

Q. What, if anything, did you ascertain from Mr. Pike, the Adjutant General, or any other person in regard to the character of these credits?

A. Mr. Pike said we could find out by going to the Adjutant General's office, and I went to the Adjutant General's office and asked him about the men and if they would answer on our quota, and he assured me that they would. I made no further inquiry about it as I supposed that if Gen. Hodsdon said the men would go to the quota of the town of Vassalboro' it was all right.

Q. Did you aid or assist in furnishing Vassalboro' or any other town any men other than the thirty aforesaid?

A. No.

Q. Were you authorized by the town of Vassalboro' to procure men upon its quota?

A. I was not authorized except as I have stated, but subsequently my action was ratified by the town at a town meeting.

IRA D. STURGIS.

APPENDIX D.

DEPOSITIONS OF OFFICERS AND OTHERS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, December 1, 1870.

H. S. OSGOOD of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. In what business were you engaged in the years 1864–5?

A. I was in the express business, and buying and selling gold and bonds.

Q. Did you bring to Augusta or have in your possession a list of some hundred names of men which were afterwards offered to be put upon the quotas of towns in this State?

A. I did not, sir.

Q. Did you say to Mr. James P. Hill, or any member of the firm of J. P. Deering & Co., sometime late in the year 1864, or at any time, that you had the handling of quite a number of hundred men, and propose to said Hill, or any of said firm, to transfer said men to him or them?

A. No, sir. I don't recollect of talking with Mr. Hill or any partner of his, for I had no men to sell.

Q. What connection or knowledge, if any, had you with certain men which were transferred to J. P. Deering & Co., or either of them, by J. H. Manley, or with which said Manley had any connection?

A. Well, I don't know what men were assigned to J. P. Deering & Co. Sometimes when Mr. Manley would go away he would leave it with me to give receipts for money, but I don't know anything about the men, as I had no other connection with the matter.

Q. Do you know that Mr. Manley had the control or disposal of a hundred or more men whose names were entered on some list, roll or record deposited in the Adjutant General's office at Augusta, some of which names were transferred to the quotas of towns by J. P. Deering & Co., and others, for which transfer Mr. Manley or yourself received pay at the rate of $400 per man?

A. Well, part of that I can answer and part of it I can't. I know that he had the disposal of some men. I don't know the number. I don't know where

the list was deposited, and I never saw the list. This roll that you speak of may have been in the Adjutant General's office, or it may have been in the Provost Marshal's office. I presume he had rolls in both places, but I never saw them. I think that Mr. Manley did receive pay at the rate of about $400 per man.

Q. Please to state in your own language fully whatever knowledge you had of the transactions to which reference is made in the foregoing questions.

A. I think it was in 1864—I don't recollect the month—that a gentleman came to Augusta and called on me—said that he had or knew, or said that he knew of some men, naval recruits, that had been enlisted, mustered into the service, that were aliens, and that he thought that they could be credited to the quota of Maine, or any other State. I told him that I supposed they would be very glad to get them on to quotas of this State, but that I had no time to attend to any such matters, but that I would introduce him to a man that I thought could, and I introduced him to Mr. Manley—J. H. Manley. Mr. Manley went with him to J. P. Heath's office in Portland. I believe Heath was at the time a civilian officer, recruiting there for the navy. All further knowledge I have of the matter came from Mr. Manley. Mr. Manley came back from Portland—told me that he had got the list and the assignment, and that he was going to show it to Gov. Cony and offer him those men on the credit of this State; provided he could have the disposal of the men. He told me subsequently that he had seen Gov. Cony, and Gov. Cony had told him that before any credits could be decided on, he must take that list on board the Receiving Ship Ohio and see if those men were as they were represented. He went to Charlestown navy yard and came back—told me that he had a certificate from the officer. He then presented the papers, whatever he had, to the Governor and Maj. Gardiner. I think that the Naval Commission had adjourned at this time, all of the returns from the towns being in. Mr. Manley told me that they, the Governor and Maj. Gardiner, made a representation to the Department, and after that—I think they had got the authority then—Manley told me that the Governor and Major Gardiner, to make sure of the character of the men, sent a second time to Charleston, Mr. Hinds being the messenger. He said that Mr. Hinds found it as he did—all straight—and that he had the disposal of the men. He never told me the price he got or what he paid for them.

Q. When Mr. Heath proposed to transfer these men to you and you decided not to take them, did he name any price at which he would dispose of them?

A. No, sir, he didn't. He didn't come here himself.

Q. Who was the person that came here, and whom you introduced to Mr. Manley?

A. His name was Robert Dyer, I think, then of Cumberland, now of California, I think. He knew that Mr. Heath had these men to dispose of, and knew me, that is why he came to me.

Q. Do you know from Mr. Manley's declaration, or in any other way, what amount per man Manley paid or was to pay Heath or Dyer for these men?

A. Well, I don't recollect what he said about that. I don't recollect any specific sum.

Q. Did you hear this talked about by Manley?

A. I did hear him talk about it.

Q. What is the impression in your memory as to the price he was to pay or the cost of the men to him or the amount he made in the sale and transfer?

A. Well, I have no impression about it.

Q. Do you know or had you any information that a special order was obtained from the Provost Marshal General or the War Department in Washington to credit the men above referred to, to districts and sub-districts of this State?

A. I don't know a single thing about it.

Q. Do you know that an application was made to the War Department to have the Naval Commission, consisting of Governor Cony and Major Gardiner, re-opened, for the purpose of determining the assignment of the list of names transferred from Heath to Manley?

A. Mr. Manley told me such an application was made. I don't know of my own personal knowledge.

Q. By whom, through whom, and by what influence or procurement did Manley say such application was made?

A. He said that Governor Cony made the application.

Q. Did you understand from Manley that the application was successful, and that the Provost Marshal General re-opened said commission, and that said commission acted upon and assigned said list of recruits?

A. I understood from him that the application was successful, but I don't know about the assignment.

Q. Do you know from Mr. Manley or otherwise, that papers were prepared for the selectmen of the various towns to whose quotas these men were assigned to return them as residents of their towns respectively, subject to enrolment, and in the naval service?

A. I do not, sir. I understood that these men were an entirely different class of men from other Heath men, and that they were aliens and no State had any particular right to them.

Q. Had you any interest, direct or indirect, in the sale or transfer of these men; or did you receive any commission, share, gratuity or compensation for any service connected with their sale and transfer?

A. Well, I had no interest in the transfer or sale of them. I received a commission amounting to $4000 or $5000, I think. I don't know the exact amount as I kept no record.

Q. By whom was your commission paid—by Heath, Manley, or the brokers to whom Manley made the transfer?

A. It was paid to me by Mr. Manley.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Did you ever pay, or offer to pay, to any official of the United States, or of this State, for any order or sanction in relation to obtaining credits to be quotaed on the towns in this State, or to crediting men on the towns in this State?

A. Not one cent.

Q. Did you at any time to your recollection go with James P. Hill of

Waterville, to the State House, and tell Gen. Hodsdon that you wanted to get so many names, and the General took a roll or book or list of names and copied off the number asked for?

A. I never recollect of going to the Adjutant General for any names with J. P. Hill, or his partner, John P. Deering.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you on the staff of Gov. Coburn?

A. I was.

H. S. OSGOOD.

Augusta, Me., Friday, December 2, 1870.

Benjamin H. Hinds sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Where do you now reside, and what is your business?

A. I am a special agent of the Treasury Department, and reside in Portland.

Q. Whether or not you were employed in Washington in the summer of 1864 in some service connected with the military operations of this State?

A. I was appointed military State Agent by Gov. Cony in the summer of 1864, and had an office at 271 "F" street, in Washington.

Q. Do you know that a number of citizens of Maine, some of them under commissions from the Governor, came to Washington that summer to recruit within the District of Columbia and rebel States under then existing laws and orders? If so, name all the persons.

A. Yes, sir, I do. I remember Mr. Farwell of this city, John N. Stimson, Wm. Gaslin, Col. Stone, J. H. Manley and Wm. Emery.

Q. Did you assist these officers, or any one of them in particular?

A. These persons came to Washington one after another, I think Mr. Stimson was there first. They came to my office although I had nothing to do with the business. They began to canvass for men in competition with each other and were offering high prices, as high I think as $700 per man and did not succeed in getting any men, to my knowledge. They then came to an agreement that they all would pay the same price for men and put their money in my hands and I deposited it in Jay Cooke's bank in my name and as each one furnished a man or men I would give the soldier a check for his bounty, My impression is that this was done at the suggestion of Governor Cony in order to know that the soldier was not defrauded of his bounty. This arrangement, however, among the recruiting officers did not continue more than a week, for they got to bidding against each other again, and grew dissatisfied with it, and drew their money and I had nothing more to do with it afterwards. When they got all through and I had given them their money, John Stimson, I think it was, suggested that as they had given me considerable trouble they ought to give me something, and Stimson turned to me and asked me if I had a watch, and on my answering in the negative, he said "let us give him a watch;" and they

contributed about $20 apiece and got me this watch, (showing the watch). That is all I made out of it in any way.

Q. After your said disconnection with the business, do you know or have you reason to believe that the said recruiting officers succeeded in getting any additional men, and if so, about how many?

A. They remained in Washington—some, or all of them—sometime after that, and each was on his own hook. I had no knowledge except from their declarations, as to the number of men procured by them.

Q. Had you any connection with the recruiting or payment of the men, or did you keep any record of the transactions?

A. None in the least.

Q. Did you undertake to do the recruiting for any of these men before, after, or during the said contract between them?

A. I did not. I never advised a man to enlist for one or for another or for any of them.

Q. Can you tell to what class or classes the men belonged whose bounties were paid through you under said compact?

A. They were men in the Veteran Reserve Corps, who had been disabled from active duty and were not entitled to government bounty, I think—men whose terms of service had nearly expired, and who were eligible to re-enlist; men in the regular service, who had enlisted and had not been assigned to the quota of any town or State. There was one or more companies of regular artillery which had been enlisted in one of the Southern States and was sent up to Camp Barry in Washington, that belonged to the class from which they drew. A fourth class was teamsters and others detailed for special service.

Q. Were not the men belonging to the two first classes residents of this State, and required under existing laws or orders to be credited to the towns of their residence?

A. I think not; some of them I know were not. My impression is that after a soldier had served out his term of enlistment and had been discharged he had a right to re-enlist and go to the quota of any town or any State, and that interpretation was put upon the law by these recruiting agents, I think.

Q. How many men for all these recruiting agents received their bounties through you?

A. I should say perhaps twenty or twenty-five; and my memory is that all I did pay was for Farwell and Emery.

Q. What proportion of these belonged to Farwell?

A. I should say the most of them.

Q. Did Emery transfer his men to Farwell?

A. Some or all of them.

Q. Do you think or believe that Farwell got any men after Emery transferred those to him?

A. He told me he did. I know nothing about it.

Q. Do you know of J. H. Manley's recruiting any men there?

A. I don't know. I don't think I paid a man for Manley, but I heard he got some men and transferred them to Farwell.

Q. Do you know, or did you hear that the operations of these recruiting officers were interrupted by some order from the War office?

A. I remember of hearing that some prohibition or interference was put upon the business, and that all the recruiting agents from different States had a convention at Willard's Hotel. I think they were prohibited from re-enlisting men who resided out of their States.

Q. At the time of that prohibition or interference, did not all the recruiting officers from this State leave for home?

A. I don't know. My impression is that they staid there some few days.

Q. Did not these recruiting officers take duplicate enlistment rolls, muster rolls, and receipts for bounties for all the men obtained by them in accordance with instructions contained in their commissions?

A. I don't know whether they did or not.

Q. Have you any personal knowledge that Farwell recruited any more men than the proportion of the twenty or twenty-five men whose bounties were paid through you?

A. I have not; nothing but his own statements or the statements of those that were there with him.

Q. How much longer after the transactions above detailed, did you remain in Washington, and where next did you go?

A. I remained in Washington until the last of November or first of December, 1864, when I came to this city and went into the claim business in company with Manley.

Q. What was the style of your firm?

A. Manley & Hinds, and it was for the prosecution of claims against the government.

Q. Was the buying and selling of recruits, or the filling of quotas of troops any part of the business in which your firm actually engaged?

A. It was not, and nothing of the kind was ever done in the office to my knowledge.

Q. Was Mr. Manley engaged in such business any part of the time during which you were in his office in any capacity?

A. When I went into business with Mr. Manley, I hadn't been in the office more than one or two days before Manley said he wanted to go out West—out to Pennsylvania—and was gone a short time and after he came back he was busy in matters outside of the office, and I made complaint that he was neglecting our business, and the result was that he went out of the firm sometime the next spring, and I continued the business several years. Manley was not in the business of recruiting any part of the time, to my knowledge, but I heard that he was in the recruiting business.

Q. Were you sent on to Charlestown, Mass., by Gov. Cony, in December, 1864, to examine the genuineness of certain enlistments?

A. I was. I took with me letters of introduction from Governor Cony and Maj. Littler, and from the latter a package of naval enlistment papers, together with a list of some four or five pages containing some two hundred names. I was to go to the Receiving-ship Ohio with this list and papers and see if the enlistments were genuine. I proceeded to Charlestown, went on board said

ship and was allowsd by Capt. Green, its commandant, access to the records and the aid of one or more clerks. With four continuous days' labor we found on said records every name borne on the lists which I had carried, and I entered against each the date of enlistment as shown by the said records. When completed Capt. Green authenticated it with his certificate and signature and I brought it and delivered it to Maj. Littler, and I have never seen it since. I was paid for my said service something like $50. I don't recollect exactly how much.

Q. What did Gov. Cony say when he made known to you the said errand?

A. The purport was that somebody—some person or persons—had offered enlistment papers of these men to be put to quotas in Maine, and the Governor wanted to make certain the genuineness of these enlistments.

Q. Do you know of your own knowledge, or from the declarations of any persons whatever, that J. H. Manley, or A. B. Farwell, or J. P. Deering, or any other broker or person, had or claimed to have any interest in said list, or any right to transfer the same?

A. I have heard stated by Manley that he had some interest in it.

Q. Do you know that this investigation made by you was to facilitate the assignment of the men on this list to certain towns in this State, for which assignment Manley, Farwell, Deering, or some other broker or person was to be paid some stipulated sum, and do you know that the list of men was ultimately so disposed of?

A. I don't know where one man was disposed of, I supposed the investigation was for the protection of the interests of the State.

Q. State whether or not Mr. Farwell wished you to inform him by letter how many men he had enlisted while in Washington, and what conversation he and you had about the matter?

A. Mr. Farwell had requested me in writing to state how many men he had enlisted while there and I had not replied to him, and he called at my office to know why I had not. I told him that I did not remember; and then he wanted me to state in writing how many I thought he had. I then wrote the letter which he after afterwards published.

Q. From your best recollection, which is the more accurate estimate of the number of men he recruited, that contained in said letter or that contained in this deposition?

A. I should say that contained in this deposition, but of course either of them are matters of recollection and judgment, and liable to be erroneous.

Q. When you made the estimate in said letter, had you in your mind the declaration of some recruiting officer who had charged Farwell with getting away, unfairly, from him certain recruits recruited from a U. S. Artillery Company?

A. I had that, and all other circumstances connected with the transaction, in my mind.

Q. Had you any knowledge that he got any such artillery men?

A. I had not. I don't remember of ever having heard Farwell say whether he did or not.

By Mr. SANBORN.

Q. Have you personal knowledge that Mr. Farwell recruited any definite number there, and if so, how many?

A. I do remember a definite number. There was Packard and Downes and Hynes and two others whose names I do not recollect. These names are impressed upon my memory by circumstances other than their enlistments by Farwell or anybody else.

B. H. HINDS.

Augusta, Me., Wednesday, December 14, 1870.

Gen. John L. Hodsdon of Augusta, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. 1. Were you Adjutant General of this State during the years 1864 and 1865?

A. I was.

Q. 2. Were you knowing to the fact that credits were given under authority of the War Department to towns and municipalities in this State during said years for men on the quota of towns, other than those known to be actually enlisted for the army or navy within the State, and for which no State bounties were allowed under existing laws? If yea, please state how many men were so credited, and the several classes to which they belonged.

A. I was. There were some 600 or 700 of those men put upon the quotas of towns in this State. The Pike men were purely marine men, the Manley men were purely naval. A portion of the men allowed by the Naval Commission might have been of the above classes, or either.

Q. 3. Did you assist Governor Cony, or the Naval Commission to which he belonged, in preparing a list of the men so credited and in assigning them to the quotas of towns within the State, or were you consulted by said Commission in reference thereto, or did you have any knowledge of the manner in which said Commission performed said service?

A. As Adjutant General, I sought officially to facilitate the presentation to the Naval Commission by municipalities of all men for credit to which they were legally entitled, and issued blanks therefor, and at times had conversations with Gov. Cony in relation to the matter. I never talked with Maj. Gardiner upon the subject, nor was I ever before the Commission. I had general knowledge of the manner in which said Commissioners discharged their official duties.

Q. 4. Did said Commission keep a record or minutes of their proceedings? Did you ever see said record or minutes? Is said record extant, and if so, where, in your opinion, may it be found?

A. I think they kept no records or minutes. One of Major Gardiner's clerks—Worster, I think—was the go-between of the Commissioners, who

never seemed to have regular sessions. The men claimed by municipalities for allowance by the board, were supposed and intended to be entered in my office to avoid duplication, and their names subsequently enrolled in the office of the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General. I know of no record except of the names as aforesaid, and index of the same, to be found in the Adjutant General's office, and the same names enrolled in the Provost Marshal's office—A. A. P. General's office at Augusta—and now to be found, I presume, in the Adjutant General's office in Washington.

Q. 5. Where and at what time were the meetings of said Commission held, and were they open to the public, and were the different towns and municipalities allowed to be heard by their officers or agents in reference to the crediting and assignment of said men?

A. I have before stated that I was not cognizant of the meetings of the board, but I know that municipal authorities saw Gov. Cony and Maj. Gardiner in relation to the matter of naval allowances, whenever they desired to.

Q. 5½. [6.] Under what authority, and upon what investigation or proceedings were a large number of naval credits allowed to towns in this State after August 24, 1864, besides those allowed for actual enlistments in the navy after that time?

A. Those found upon the record in the Adjutant General's office as subsequent to August 24, 1864, were allowed by authority of the War Department through the Provost Marshal General's office. The statement in my official report that the powers of the Commission ceased at that date is incorrect. I was mistaken. The 251 Manley naval men were said to have been allowed through the Provost Marshal General's office. The names of the 457 general naval credits were before the Commissioners prior to August 24, 1864, as Portland's list was taken from the rolls which included them.

Q. 6. [7.] Referring to your official report for the years 1864–5, as disclosing some specific knowledge of the subject, please to state about how many men, of either of the classes before named other than those claimed to be residents of towns and municipalities within the State, were credited on the quotas of any towns.

A. About eleven hundred.

Q. 7. [8.] Why were not that class of men credited to the State at large in reduction of the quota of the State?

A. The Governor thought and said that justice required the donating of the general credit men to localities that had suffered from excessive and erroneous enrolments and consequent undue and unequal quotas. The Pike men—some four hundred—were supposed not to have been really residents of this State, and were allowed localities here only upon the fiction of actual residence and not being known to have a residence in the United States. The two hundred and fifty-one Manley naval men were hunted up and brought forward after the Naval Commission ceased to be, and for reasons unknown to me the authority for their allowance was of a specific character through the Provost Marshal General's Department. Some 300 of those claimed to be residents of towns and municipalities were, I doubt not, of the objectionable character of those before named by me.

Q. 7½. [9.] State particularly what class of men you refer to designated in your report as "resident *unclaimed* and hence *general* naval credits," and how many in all were comprised in said class.

A. I alluded to the 457 from a roll furnished by one Heath early in the organization of the Naval Commission, from which Portland had some 300, and other towns quite a number, and these not being taken up by any municipality were thus left unclaimed.

Q. 7¾. [10.] Was there not a *general* credit made to the State of naval enlistments? By whom and upon what *data* was said credit assigned, and was the same recognized at the War Department?

A. Yes, by the Governor, upon application of town authorities on the ground of injustice and hardship in assessing quotas. Quite a number were thus claimed, and, finally, some 250 remaining unassigned, were credited at one time, I think, to towns and townships, and the same were allowed by the War Department. Out of these general naval credits, the Governor allowed Mr. Farwell some for a misappropriation of men enlisted by him at Wasnington.

Q. 8. [11.] Were not certain men of said class assigned by the commission on the quotas of a large number of the smaller towns and plantations of the State, and if so, how many, by whom and upon what consideration were they so assigned?

A. The Governor made all the assignments of the general credits, and they were generally to the smaller towns and plantations, and comprised some 400 after deducting about 50 taken up by towns as their citizens. Said 400 included the allowance to Farwell.

Q. 9. [12.] Why were not *all* the men of that class distributed to towns in the same mode and upon the same consideration?

A. Such was the expressed design and intent of the Governor, and as Farwell's men had been assigned to towns of their residence, the Governor expressed himself as doing justice in the premises, under the circumstances, by appropriating the requisite number from the general credits to make good the misappropriation. As to other men, namely, the Pike and Manley men, the disposition of them was made by the Provost Marshal General's Department and the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal here. I had no discretion or jurisdiction whatever in or of the matter. What I did was clerical merely at the latter's request. The men furnished towns by Yates, Delany and others which were of another class entirely, were duly and formally returned upon official blanks by proper municipal authorities, and, if objectionable, could not possibly be distinguished from those that were not so; and the first and only knowledge possessed by the Naval Commissioner and the Adjutant General was had from the presentation of these returns.

Q. 10. [13.] Do you not know the fact that at the time referred to and before, there was a general understanding and expectation that the war debts incurred by towns and municipalities would be ultimately assumed by the State?

A. I do.

Q. 11. [14.] Did you not consider credits for said class of men as not meritorious or *bona fide*, and did you not refuse to recognize them except as

subordinate to the Provost Marshal's Department, and leave them out of your records in order to prevent their being made a basis for future claims for State bounties?

A. Yes.

Q. 12. [15.] Would you knowingly have furnished any facilities for claims to be made upon the towns for town bounties to this class of men?

A. No.

Q. 13. [16.] Were you, or not, aware that officers of towns in this State during said years were paying large sums as town bounties for that class of enlisted men?

A. I was.

Q. 14. [17.] Were you not repeatedly consulted by officers of towns as to the character of that class of enlistments and whether it was advisable to pay town bounties for the same? If yea, what advice did you give in such cases?

A. I was. Invariably my advice was to fill their quotas with their own citizens. When the question was put to me as it generally was, if such men would fill their quotas, I told them that they would, for such was the order of the Provost Marshal General.

Q. 15. [18.] Were you aware of the fact that certain persons ostensibly engaged in the substitute brokerage business, had lists of this class of men and were selling them to the officers of towns to fill their quotas, receiving therefor large sums of money? If you have such knowledge or belief, state how these persons procured such lists, and what persons or firms you know to have been engaged in this business, and under what authority, civil or military, such persons acted?

A. To the first clause of the interrogatory I answer, yes. I have not the least knowledge whatever as to the way and manner in which such lists were procured. The persons were Daniel T. Pike and J. H. Manley. I know not under what authority they acted in procuring the lists, but in disposing of the men, I understand that they acted within the scope of authority derived from the War Department.

Q. 16. [19.] If you have stated that any such persons were engaged in the sale of this class of men, what knowledge, information or belief have you as to the compensation they received or were to receive by way of commission, profits or otherwise, for their services? State all you know from your own knowledge or the declarations of said persons or their agents.

A. In the case of Pike, I think he stated that he paid $280 per man for those on his list, and what he received beyond that sum I concluded was profit. I know nothing and have heard nothing at all definite or from which I am able to state touching Manley's outlays or income, in regard to his lists.

Q. 17. [20.] Were not said persons recognized at your office as agents of towns to which they were selling men, and were not entries and records made in your office in pursuance of requests made by or through such persons?

A. I did recognize those men as recruiting officers. They were both engaged in making current enlistments as well as looking up those made early in the war, for their credit. There was no reason why they should not have been recognized by my office, and the strongest possible reason why they should be.

They were fully recognized by the A. A. P. G. of Maine, who represented here the War Department of the United States, and controlled all matters of quotas and credits except current daily enlistments. While the State and military department was thus subordinated to the United States, it was indispensable that harmonious relations should exist between the two, and full credit and authority be given by both to those in official or business relations with either.

Q. 18. [21.] Did you not officially certify the filling of quotas of towns whose quotas were filled by the purchase of this class of enlisted men of some one of said substitute brokers?

A. I did, in compliance with the official request of the A. A. P. General of Maine, to aid in quotaing the men borne on Messrs. Pike's and Manley's lists, furnish names therefrom as requested by those gentlemen for credit upon town's quotas at the Provost Marshal's office. No entry of the names or credit was made in my office except the latter, in numbers as returned at stated intervals to me officially by the A. A. P. M. General.

Q. 19. [22.] Have you any reason to believe that the then Governor of the State, or the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General, or the Provost Marshal at Washington, or any other military or civil officer, knew that private persons were selling this class of enlisted men to officers of towns in this State and receiving therefore large town bounties?

A. Yes.

Q. 20. [23.] Did you or any other civil or military officer, to your knowledge, directly or indirectly, receive, or were you promised any fee, reward, gratuity, or advantage of any kind whatever as a consideration for making any certificate, making or suppressing any record, or doing or refraining from doing any act in reference to said class of enlisted men, or the sale or assignment of them to towns or the crediting of them upon the quotas of towns, or as a consideration for withholding or not interposing any protest or obstruction in reference to the transaction?

A. No.

Q. 21. [24.] Referring to a letter from Provost Marshal General Fry to Maj. Littler, of date of September 10, 1864, state if you know how the credits mentioned in said letter were adjusted.

A. By giving Mr. Manley the disposition of them.

Q. [25.] Do you know that Manley sold out names from that list to J. P. Deering & Co., and other brokers?

A. I do not.

Q. [26.] Did or not one Capt. Forrest, introduced by you to A. B. Farwell sometime in the fall of 1864, show to you a number of sheets containing names purporting to be of men enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps?

A. A man came to me in the last of the summer or fall of 1864, whose name I do not recollect, and proposed to exhibit to me a roll of some non-resident early enlisted men, with a view to having them credited here for a consideration, but I declined looking at his papers, telling him that it was a matter wholly beyond my jurisdiction. I have no recollection of Farwell's being with him, though he may have introduced him by letter.

Q. [27.] Did you, after the interview with said man, call to see Mr. Farwell

at the arsenal, and have some talk with Mr. Farwell in reference to some papers which he claimed to have seen in the possession of said man?

A. I recollect very well of calling at the arsenal when Mr. Farwell was sick abed. There was a conversation between us in relation to this man's errand to me. It is impossible for me to recall the substance of it. I should say that the result of the conversation confirmed the impressions I had of the matter at the interview in my office with said man.

Q. [28.] Did you understand the proposition to you of said man to be that you should pay a consideretion for said list, or that you should give some certificate or sanction to facilitate his obtaining a consideration from other parties who might assign the names therein to towns?

A. Our interview was so brief that it didn't reach to that extent. My rejection to his overtures was so prompt and explicit that he left without fully explaining his purpose.

Q. [29.] Did you hear that the same individual waited upon Maj. Gardiner and showed him the same papers?

A. I did hear so indirectly, and that it resulted as it did with me.

Q. [30.] Have you any knowledge or did you hear that one Peter Gordon, or any other person, after the above transactions, brought to Augusta rolls or lists purporting to be of men enlisted in the marine corps, and in connection with Mr. D. T. Pike of this city, offered them to A. A. Provost Marshal General Gardiner for assignment on the quotas of towns in this State?

A. I did.

Q. [31.] State all you can recollect of the transaction.

A. Mr. Pike came to me in the summer or fall of 1864 with a list of marine corps men for credit here. I don't recollect of any one with him at that time, or subsequently, upon that business. I think there were more than one hundred names upon the list. I cannot remember anything near the number. I paid but little attention to him. I told him it was utterly impossible for me to take cognizance of anything of the kind. I was subordinate to the A. A. P. M. General in all matters of credit except of current enlistments. I learned soon after that Pike and the man having control of the list called on Maj. Gardiner, A. A. P. M. General, to have him allow these credits, but he declined to recognize them, and forwarded the papers to the Provost Marshal General at Washington.

Q. [32.] Was, or not, Maj. Gardiner soon after removed and Maj. Littler put in his place?

A. The removal and appointment were made that fall, but I cannot tell how long after this occurrence.

Q. [33.] Do you know that Major Gardiner was too unwell to perform the duties appropriate to his office, or whether or not his removal was in consequence of any request on his part to be relieved on account of ill health or for any other cause?

A. Major Gardiner was in poor health, but the duties of his office were well discharged at all times, in my opinion, and I am satisfied that it was not at his request that he was relieved.

Q. [34.] Whether or not an order issued from the Provost Marshal Gen-

eral's office at Washington, directing the assignment upon the quota of Maine of the names borne on the list which Mr. Pike had presented to you? If yea, state the terms of such order, and by whom here in Maine it was received, and at what time.

A. I never have seen such an order. I understood that such an order came to Major Littler the last of November, 1864. I understood it was to credit the names borne on the list to districts and sub-districts in the State of Maine. At that time Major Littler was the A. A. P. General of this State.

Q. [35.] Had you, officially, or the Governor, or the Naval Commission as such, anything to do with carrying out the details of this order, or were you or they consulted about the same, or was the whole disposition of the assignment of the men in that list by the A. A. P. M. General of the State and his subordinate officers, the District Provost Marshals?

A. We had nothing to do with it, and the whole disposition of it was by the A. A. P. M. General of the State and his subordinates. We were not consulted. The Naval Commission had ceased to exist.

Q. [36.] Did you so far learn the method by which the A. A. P. M. General and his subordinates executed said order, as to be able to say whether or not they in all cases recognized the rights of the brokers and other persons who had obtained possession of those lists as to make assignments at the dictation of such brokers and persons, and to carry out bargains of sales which they had made?

A. I have no doubt that such was the disposition made of all the names on the list.

Q. [37.] Were you not consulted in some instances by agents of towns as to the expediency of purchasing this class of men?

A. I was.

Q. [38.] Were you aware at the time that towns were paying for the privilege of credit for this class of enlistments sums as high as $400 and $500 per man?

A. I never heard of so much as $500 per man, and but few as high as $400. I supposed from all that I could learn that the amounts received were generally less than the least of these sums.

Q. [39.] Was it not obvious at the time that this class of men contributed nothing to the strength of the army, and in case of the continuance of the war that a new draft would be required to fill their places?

A. They contributed nothing to fill the army; but the allowance of them to Maine lessened the State's liability for future quotas.

Q. [40.] Were you aware at the time or have you become aware that besides the credit obtained by towns for actual residents therein in the United States navy, credits were obtained for aliens having no residence in the State, and some of them not even enlisted in the State, but who were claimed as residents for the purpose of carrying out a contract between brokers and said towns to assign them to said towns?

A. I have never had actual knowledge of the existence of such a state of things, but have no doubt that such was the fact to a greater or less extent.

Q. [41.] Did you not suggest for the purpose of putting properly upon the

record the assignment of certain unclaimed naval credits to A. B. Farwell, that returns should be made by the municipal officers of the towns to which he had distributed said credits, wherein the men assigned to them should be claimed as residents respectively of said towns, and was not the assignment to said Farwell actually vouched by returns of that kind?

A. Such returns were made by two towns, Mercer and Norridgewock, I think, at my suggestion, of men from the general credit list, properly appropriated to said Farwell by Gov. Cony and assigned by Farwell to said towns — with a view on my part of debarring said towns from any future reimbursement from the State or general government for bounties paid by said towns. As all the naval credit allowances by commissioners on returns were presumed to have been for the citizens of towns and municipalities already in the naval service, to whom no State or town bounty was ever paid, these two towns by the existence of such returns would be forever barred from setting up claim to any reimbursement whatever.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, December 15, 1870.

GENERAL HODSDON appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [42.] Were you not aware that a large number of the returns made to the Naval Commission were fictitious, and that the persons claimed therein as residents of towns in this State were persons having no residence in the State, whose residence was so claimed for the purpose of carrying out a contract with certain brokers who had agreed to get them assigned to such towns?

A. No, I was not aware of any such state of things, and there was no means whatever in my power of determining the fact. I supposed however that to some extent it might have been the case. The form of the returns was established by the commissioners, and a compliance on the part of municipalities with their rules secured the allowance of men claimed. I sought to put town authorities on their guard against spurious men by an obligation which I furnished for execution by them setting out the fact that their own citizens alone were claimed for allowance by the Naval Commission and that no bounties were paid to or for the men and that no claim for reimbursement would ever be made on account of them.

Q. [43.] Was not the fact that a small inland town, like Mercer for instance, with a population of 850, claimed twelve residents as in the naval service, while Machiasport, a seaboard town, with a population of 1500 largely employed in maritime pursuits, claimed but seven residents in the navy, and that similar instances were not infrequent throughout the State, calculated to throw suspicion on those returns as not made in good faith?

A. The cases of Mercer and Norridgewock were exceptional, being two of the towns having men from the general naval credit, *known* not to have been

their citizens, but presented under the recognized fiction of formal returns to avoid State and government liabilities for reimbursement on account of bounties. In regard to other towns having more men claimed on account of naval enlistments than their population and locality would warrant, it is to be considered that enlistments in the navy for the first three years of the war were largely of young men to escape the draft, and who might be supposed to have gone from rural and sparsely populated towns as well as from larger places on the seaboard. Some 4000 left the State in the first eighteen months of the war — many of them going into the navy. The returns of naval men were not passed upon by me in any manner, and my other multifarious official duties precluded my giving much attention to them.

Q. [44.] Was there not a great anxiety on the part of the Naval Commission to swell the claim of naval credits as much as possible for the purpose of relieving the State from bounties and the towns from the pressure of the draft, so that less scrutiny was exercised in examining said returns than would have been under different circumstances?

A. Yes.

Q. [45.] Did not the duplication of returns give municipal officers opportunities to claim the same man twice over in many instances, and did not the Naval Commission, in all such cases, fail to correct such duplication?

A. The names upon returns were extended upon the books and indexed as fast as claims were filed, and it was the duty of the clerks to make thorough examination of the recorded names upon each return and strike out those names duplicated. A slight variation in names was very likely to have secured improper allowances.

Q. [46.] What do you refer to in your said official report by the "unclaimed and hence general naval credits?" Was there a credit given to the State at large besides the aggregate of credits given to municipalities for men in the naval service? What officer or board determined the number of such credits, and what rule of classification fixed the credits as general or special?

A. A list alphabetically arranged of men enlisting in the navy from Maine after the opening of the war, on board the Receiving-ship Ohio with no residences attached thereto, was presented to the Naval Commissioners by Portland's recruiting agent with 311 of the names taken up on Portland's return of her men in the navy and said names were cancelled on the list. As returns from the several cities, towns and plantations throughout the State claiming naval credits came in to the Commissioners they were examined in connection with said list and those found in the latter corresponding with names in municipalities' returns were cancelled. This process being gone through with as to the whole State the names remaining unclaimed and uncancelled were termed and regarded as *general credits*, and the disposition of them was left by the Provost Marshal General Fry with Governor Cony. I add a short list of assumed names to show how the cancellation was made: John Adams; Thomas Beal; William Card [cancelled] Portland; Eben. Dole [cancelled] Bangor.

Q. [47.] Now in such cancellation the commission was governed by the returns, was it not, so that so far as the returns were fictitious and only made for the purpose of carrying out bargains with the brokers, the fictitious resi-

dents would be cancelled and assigned to towns precisely the same as the actual residents?

A. Yes.

Q. [48.] Where is said alphabetical list now? How many names did it contain, who presented it to the Naval Commissioners? Will you endeavor to find said list and put it to the disposal of this Commission?

[No answer appears to this question.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

Q. [49.] Did you keep in the Adjutant General's office at any time an "index book," in which naval credits, general and specific, were entered, and from which they were transcribed and put upon the quotas of towns?

A. I think there was no other one than this before me entitled "Index to Naval Credits allowed by Naval Commissioners."

Q. [50.] Who procured or solicited said alphabetical list? Under what law or order was it procured?

A. It was furnished gratuitously and uncalled for by Mr. Hull, a Portland recruiting agent.

Q. [51.] Was there a special order by letter or otherwise from P. M. General Fry to Governor Cony placing at his disposal said "general credits?" If yea, can you place it at the disposal of this Commission or indicate where it may be found, or state its terms?

A. There was a letter. I saw an official copy of it in the hands of Governor Cony last winter. I should know of no other place than the Adjutant General's office at Washington where I could find a copy. In effect it gave the Governor as such the disposal of said men.

Q. [52.] Are there any just claims for State bounties to soldiers from Maine still outstanding and unpaid, and how do the actual disbursements for State bounties correspond with the men entitled to receive them as shown by the Adjutant General's records?

A. When I resigned as Adjutant General, March 31, 1867, there were State bounties due soldiers to some considerable extent, but I am unable to make an estimate approximating anywhere near the actual number. From what I have known of payments since on that account, I think there are yet quite a number of soldiers to whom State bounty is due and unpaid.

Q. [53.] Were there any State bounties due at the time of your resignation to soldiers enlisted for Maine in Southern States under the conditions specified in special order No. 69 from your office, July 26, 1864?

A. I can only say I do not know.

Q. [54.] How many men in all were enlisted for Maine under said special order? Was there ever a list, roll or record of the same; and if yea, where may it be found?

A. I should think the whole number would be less than a thousand. Many of the recruiting officers appointed under that order never left the State to enter upon their duties and of course did not enlist a man. No distinct list or roll or record was ever kept of the men.

Q. [55.] Did A. B. Farwell receive commissions or special orders, numbered respectively 100 and 101, similar in terms to said special order No. 69?

A. He was appointed as stated. I think he never took his authority from my office, but acted under a letter from Gov. Cony. The proceedings of in-

dividuals appointed under this order were exceedingly informal and the order was virtually a dead letter.

Q. [56.] Who of the persons commissioned for a similar service obtained men besides said Farwell and Stimson?

A. I recollect only the following: A. P. Buck, Seth E. Beedy, Jesse Gould, Wm. Gaslin, Jr., J. H. Manley, John C. Knowlton, William Coombs. I don't think of any others now, but it is likely there might have been others; indeed, there must have been more. I recollect of some not named as appointed under that order who enlisted quite a number of men. I will name Emery of Lebanon, and Stone of Kennebunk.

Q. [57.] State how far the persons procuring men in the Southern States complied with the second clause of your published special order No. 69?

A. There was an entire omission to procure the certificate therein named from the office of the Adjutant General of the United States. The enlistments were mostly for three years' service instead of one as therein named, and the enlisted men were therefore entitled to $300 bounty. In other respects the clause referred to was substantially complied with.

Q. [58.] Did the said Farwell produce at your office the enlistment contract and muster-in roll of each enlisted soldier, with a receipt in duplicate of the payment of State bounty to such soldier?

A. We did have the enlistment papers and muster-in rolls for a few men from Farwell, and the receipts of a large number. In most of his cases the mustering-in officer had sent to my office by mail the enlistment contracts and muster-in rolls which gave only the place of residence of the soldier to guide us as to his quota.

Q. [59.] How many men in all did it appear from said papers that said Farwell had procured?

A. Well, my impression now is, that it was some over fifty; but it is impossible for me to recollect.

Q. [60.] Did not said number include some thirty men that he had found belonging to Maine in the naval service, as shown in the Navy Department, of which he sent a list to you in order that they might be credited to towns to which they belonged?

A. It was impossible that they could have been included because no enlistment contracts, muster-in rolls or receipts would have accompanied those.

Q. [61.] Were said fifty men or any of them, and if so, how many assigned to the quotas of towns in Maine to which they belonged under the provision of an existing statute or order before the return of Mr. Farwell from Washington?

A. I can't say what number were thus assigned, but it was all whose papers came to my office before his arrival.

Q. [62.] In the cases of those so assigned had any receipts for State bounties come to hand until Mr. Farwell himself brought them?

A. I don't recollect, but I think not, because if the receipts had been with the papers I think we should have known that they were Mr. Farwell's men.

Q. [63.] With the other papers on your files what was there to prevent your paying Mr. Farwell the State bounties when he appeared with the receipts, if you believed his papers were genuine and that he had actually enlisted the men claimed?

A. Nothing, unless the towns to which the men were assigned were deficient on their October 1863 calls.

Q. [64.] Were not the State bounties due to the men without any reference to the towns to which they were actually assigned?

A. No, I think not.

Q. [65.] Did not all of the agents recruiting in the Southern States take from the men recruited receipts for a State bounty of $300?

A. No, I think not, for colored men and 1 year white men but $100 was properly paid. I think all of Farwell's men were 3 years' men who would be entitled to a bounty of $300.

Q. [66.] In the assignment of men to towns, what if any changes according to the usages of the Adjutant's office would be made in the disposition of the enlistment papers and muster rolls?

A. No change in the files of papers, but the name of the city, town or plantation to which the soldier was credited would be written on the enlistment contract at the head thereof, and also upon the muster-in roll.

Q. [67.] Do you know any reason why the muster rolls and enlistment papers of Stimson's men can now be found in said office intact while of Farwell's men corresponding papers can be found for only two?

A. I do not, if the names were furnished.

Q. [68.] Do you know that Gov. Cony, in the presence of Mr. Farwell, cancelled and burnt a number of Mr. Farwell's said papers; and were you present at such burning?

A. I do not recollect the circumstance of the destruction of papers, but I was present at a portion of an interview between Gov. Cony and Farwell, in which the latter elaborated his claim for an allowance of men in lieu of those of his misappropriated in the Adjutant General's office, at which interview numerous papers relating to the matter were present, and Governor Cony told me subsequently that his settlement with Farwell by an allowance to him of general credit men would save the State a large amount in bounties.

Q. [69.] Would not the towns in this State, to which said men were assigned, or the men themselves, be entitled to claim, under existing laws, the State bounty and to receive it unless the receipts showed they had already received it; and if such receipts had been destroyed, what guaranty had the State against a future claim for a State bounty?

A. Towns were never entitled to receive State bounties. They were and are due solely to the individual soldiers, payable to them or their order. Farwell's men would be entitled, in the absence of all proof of payment of State bounties, to receive the same from the State Treasury. In enlistments out of the State, I think the mustering-in officers were required to know that bounties were paid the soldiers by them mustered. It is an exceedingly rare case that a soldier once paid his bounty ever claims it again. In all my adjutant general experience with many thousands of soldiers, I am quite sure that ten such cases never occurred.

Q. [70.] Would not then the probability be strengthened that these soldiers of Farwell's had been paid their State bounty, and with the papers complete which he had, why should he not have been reimbursed directly instead of by the indirection of assigning naval credits to him?

A. The men had undoubtedly received their State bounties from Farwell. The towns of these men's residences to which they had been assigned, finding them credited and knowing the Statute of 1864 required men to be holden to their own places of residence for credit, and the State to pay all the bounty, would have entered their complaints against their deprivation of these credits, and it would have been almost impossible to have pacified them without the donation of an equal number of the general credit men.

Q. [71.] What necessity was there of depriving said towns of such legal and proper advantage? Why could not the State bounty have been paid to Mr. Farwell, as the authorized agent of the men, and he have been allowed to make such contracts with the officers of the towns for such town bounties, considerably in excess of his advances, as the towns in the State at that time were eagerly paying? In other words, why did not the State officials consider the equitable claims which Mr. Farwell, a responsible State officer, had to control the disposition of his real men, as punctiliously as they seem to have considered the claims of substitute brokers to control the assignments of men, of whom there is to this day no evidence whether they are real or fictitious?

A. The practice was—contrary to law—for towns generally to pay town bounties. These towns having already secured these men fully by the record without this payment, would not have listened to any such negotiation. Gov. Cony took the exclusive charge and control of Mr. Farwell's matter, which was one involving quite an amount and of a somewhat delicate character. The assignment of men of doubtful status was really made by the Provost Marshal General's Department, which in those matters controlled my office as well as the individuals interested in said assignments. I have no doubt that Gov. Cony intended to treat Col. Farwell justly, and at the same time protect the interests of the State, and had the matter been submitted to me I should have had like objects in view. As it was not, I am not responsible in the premises.

Q. [72.] Are the 251 naval recruits referred to in Provost Marshal General Fry's letter of December 10, 1864, the same referred to by you herein as the "Manley men?" Did you understand that by a special order from the Provost Marshal General the assignment of these men was placed at the discretion of the Governor and Major Littler in the same way the 457 "general credits" had been?

A. To the first clause, I have no doubt that they are the Manley men. To the remainder of the question, I had no knowledge until last winter, when a copy of the above-named letter was shown to me, that Gov. Cony had any authority or control over said men.

Q. [73.] Do you not know that in fact Gov. Cony and Major Littler exercised such discretion in assigning these 251 names so as to carry out contracts of sale made by J. P. Deering and other brokers who had purchased said names of Manley?

A. Gov. Cony was confined to his house for weeks continuously by sickness before and after the date of the above-named letter, and during that time I am not aware of his transacting any business, official or otherwise, as his life was in danger a part of the time. The only knowledge I had, official or otherwise, at the time the assignment of these men was entered upon was from Major

Littler, who told me that the Provost Marshal General's Department had allowed the Manley men, and sometime after when I next saw Gov. Cony he said to me that he had heard that these men were allowed.

Q. [74.] Do you not know that all the men not actual residents of the State who were allowed on the quotas of districts and sub-districts in Maine, except the 311 assigned to the quota of Portland and the 400 assigned to Farwell and to certain meritorious towns on the score of the hardship of their cases, were actually assigned by the A. A. P. M. General or the Naval Commission through the influence of various brokers whose only claim to them was vouched by the possession of enlistment papers in some cases and mere lists in other cases, which they claimed to have bought of certain unknown persons who had brought them into the State of Maine?

A. * *I do not.* I have no doubt that such was the fact.

Q. [75.] Are these the class of enlistments which you characterize in your report as not meritorious and not entitled to the benefit of a permanent record in your office?

A. They are.

JOHN L. HODSDON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, December 21, 1870.

Adj. Gen. HODSDON (supplementary examination) sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. [76.] Were there any men enlisted in Washington by recruiting agents who were assigned to the general credit of the State?

A. No.

Q. [77.] Did not Mr. Farwell report to you some thirty names of men in the navy from Maine that had not been previously assigned and claimed, and if so, were they assigned to the general credit of the State as not claimed by any particular town?

A. Yes, to the first inquiry. To the last inquiry, no, for Farwell returned with the names, their residences, and towns were informed of the fact and took them up on their returns.

Q. [78.] Is it not possible that in computing the men obtained by Farwell you have counted the men obtained as above?

A. No, most certainly not. Early naval enlistments were so totally different from new, current enlistments, that the intermingling contemplated by the interrogatory was not possible.

Q. [79.] Were not all the men obtained by recruiting agents in Washington and vicinity assigned by the mustering officer upon the muster roll itself?

A. I think not.

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* The first answer is marked out, on the manuscript, and the second answer written in red ink.—SAM'L W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

Q. [80.] Was not said assignment in strict accordance with the authority given in the commissions and in the orders under which said recruiting officers acted?

A. Yes.

Q. [81.] Did not Mr. Farwell return from Washington soon after the receipt at your office of the sixty or seventy muster-in rolls?

A. My recollection is that it was within a few weeks.

Q. [82.] Did he not return several weeks before Messrs. Stimson and Stone came with their recruiting papers?

A. I don't recollect.

Q. [83.] At whose instance and request were the men upon Farwell's muster rolls assigned to other towns than those named in the muster rolls?

A. I don't know that they were so assigned. They were assigned by the clerks pro forma as the papers came to them.

Q. [84.] Did the officers of said towns to which they were misassigned appear and claim them, or have any knowledge that they had been re-enlisted?

A. Towns were represented here almost constantly and their agents examined our books with great diligence for daily accruing credits.

Q. [85.] Why was Mr. Farwell, who came back so soon after his papers were received, deprived of his men when Mr. Stimson, who came weeks afterwards, was not disturbed in the assignment made by him of the men he had enlisted?

A. Because Stimson took the precaution to have his recruits quotaed correctly on his papers, if they were sent here in advance of his coming, and of those whose papers were retained by him no assignment could be made until his arrival with them, hence no chance for misassignment in his case existed.

Q. [86.] Do not your published reports show that thirty-two of the thirty-three men enlisted by said Stimson were residents of other towns than those to which they had been assigned?

A. Very likely; my attention has not been heretofore called to it, and I have not now time to examine it.

Q. [87.] In assigning Farwell's men to towns did you not change their assignment from that originally made to towns not the residence of the enlisted man?

A. It might have been done so in a very few instances, but not with any considerable number.

Q. [88.] Look at this muster roll and see if the substitution of Winthrop for Sidney is not in your handwriting, and state whether the residence of the soldier was or was not in either town?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) The substitution is in my handwriting. It is impossible for me to say where his residence was.

Q. [89.] Why did you not wait until Mr. Farwell's return before making an assignment of his men, as you did in the case of Mr. Stimson, so that Mr. Farwell could be heard as to the assignment, and so that he could negotiate with the towns to which they were assigned for town bounties to reimburse him for what he had advanced?

A. Probably because I did not know from the papers received that Farwell or any other recruiting officer had anything whatever to do with the men.

Q. [90.] Was it not a fact that at that time all re-enlisted soldiers strenuously claimed town bounties, and all the towns in the State were offering large town bounties in competition with each other, not only for enlisted and re-enlisted men, but even for names, provided they could get them certified on their quotas?

A. Such was the fact, generally; but when it is well known that hundreds, if not thousands of men were credited to towns not claiming them, by the re-imbursement commissioners, which men never received anything whatever as bounty but the $300 from State, it is apparent that the rule was not universal.

Q. [91.] If Farwell's men were credited to the several towns under a mis-apprehension of his intention, why were they not transferred to such towns as he intended them to be credited to on his making such representation after his return?

A. Farwell had quite a large number of men assigned to the towns of their residence in ignorance on my part of his rights. These towns having become aware of such credits, supposed the men rightfully theirs by statute which gave men to towns of their abode, and for the State bounty of $300 alone. The change of these credits would have entailed upon my office and the Governor great complaint and indignation on the part of these towns. While we could have endured the remonstrances of an occasional town from a change of this character, we hardly wanted to bring upon ourselves the volume of obloquy which would have arisen from changing the credit of this comparatively large number of men.

Q. [92.] Why then did you change the credit of Thomas M. Packard and Enoch S. Chase, whose residence was in Oxford, and who had been mustered for Sidney and Buckfield, respectively, to Winthrop; and the assignment of Stephen P. Hart, whose residence was Cumberland, and who had been mustered for Sidney, to the town of Winthrop; assigning every one of the only five men of Mr. Farwell of which any muster roll can now be found in the Adjutant General's office to a town different from that for which they had been mustered and in no case the town of their residence?

A. For satisfactory reasons exhibited at the time the change was made, but which I have not the least recollection of whatever at this time. I observe that the muster roll affords no evidence whatever that Mr. Farwell had any interest in the men named in the interrogatory.

Q. [93.] Were not, in fact, some of the men of which Farwell had the assignment, and others, credited to a town or towns and afterwards transferred to other towns at his request or otherwise?

A. Very likely a small number of them were, but I am very certain no considerable portion of them were.

Q. [94.] Where is the original list which Gen. Fry ordered to be credited, and which was put at the disposal of D. T. Pike? Did you not have it at one time, and did you not draw from it the names of men furnished the town of Corinna by said Pike?

A. A copy or duplicate thereof of the Pike men was at one time in my pos-

session, but it is not now, and I know not where it is. I procured the names of the men furnished therefrom to Corinna from said Pike, and did not then have said list in my possession.

JOHN L. HODSDON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 16, 1870.

Hon. JAMES M. STONE of Kennebunk, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you proceed to Washington in 1864 to aid in the procurement of men to fill the quotas of towns in York county?

A. I went to Washington in the fall of 1864, in charge of funds for the towns of Kennebunk and Alfred, but not for the purpose of recruiting myself. I had no commission, and never recruited a man in my life.

Q. Did you participate in a conference held at Willard's by the recruiting agents of the several States? If so, state the proceedings had there.

A. I did participate in such meeting. As nearly as I can remember that was a conference to see what measures we could adopt to obviate the difficulties in recruiting in consequence of orders from the War Department.

Q. What measures were adopted?

A. A committee was appointed by those gentlemen who were present, to wait on Secretary Stanton. I think I was of the committee.

Q. Did said committee have said interview; if so, state the result of the interview?

A. I don't remember that we saw Stanton, but do remember that we saw Fry. I think A. B. Farwell was one of the committee and was present at the interview with Fry. The conference was in relation to embarrassments resulting from orders from the War Department. I cannot undertake to give the tenor of the orders, but the substance of them was that enlistments should not be allowed in the District of Columbia except for persons residing in the State for which they were recruited. I don't remember that we got anything satisfactory at all at that time. Afterwards I had an order issued in my favor by name by Mr. Fry, by the consent of Secretary Stanton, under which Mr. Stimson the agent for those towns filled the quotas of Kennebunk and Alfred. I annex an official copy of the order, which is dated September 9, 1864. Before this order was issued there was a peremptory order issued preventing any more enlistments in the Veteran Reserve Corps, and we had shut down.

Q. What time did you reach Washington?

A. I think it was on the first or second day of September, 1864.

Q. What recruiting agents from Maine did you find there on your arrival?

A. I found William Gaslin, Joseph H. Manley and A. B. Farwell from the city of Augusta, John N. Stimson of Alfred, William Emery of Lebanon, and I do not recall the names of any more from Maine at present.

Q. How many men had they all obtained at that time?

A. I can't say exactly — my business was with Stimson and I think he had enlisted nobody at that time on the quotas of Kennebunk or Alfred. My impression is from conversation with those gentlemen at the Maine State Agency that some of them had enlisted some men. My impression would be that several of them had two or three apiece.

Q. Was there any concert among the agents as to the prices which should be offered for men? If so, what was it?

A. There was no concert. There was direct conflict, rather, among the agents. They were attempting to outbid each other for men; each one was at work for himself.

Q. What were the prices actually paid for men — the lowest and highest?

A. Our men cost us very high — from $400 to over $600 per man, that is my impression. Stimson got men wherever he could, made the best terms with the men he could.

Q. What facilities were there for getting men, and what class of men were solicited for recruits?

A. We found it very difficult to obtain men, did obtain none, I think, except under the foregoing order, all of which were enlisted into the Veteran Reserve Corps.

Q. Were all the men obtained by the other recruiting agents enlisted in the same corps?

A. I have no knowledge where their recruits went. They had got them, most all of them, before I went there.

Q. Did not Stimson's commission give him authority to assign his men on the quotas of towns in York county? Did not the order referred to designate the towns on whose quotas they were to be assigned, and was not the assignment in all cases of the Stimson men entered upon the muster-in roll at the time of the mustering in?

A. Stimson's commission embraced York county, he was limited, however, by the special order to me from the War Department, and the men were assigned to Kennebunk or Alfred at the time they were mustered. We knew in that manner when their quotas were filled and equality was observed between the towns of Kennebunk and Alfred.

Q. Do you know, or have you any reason to believe, that the papers and proceedings of the other Maine recruiting agents were any different in those respects from those of Mr. Stimson?

A. I have no knowledge of what these other gentlemen did. I have no reason to believe that their proceedings in those respects were different from Mr. Stimson's. I never saw the papers of the other men.

Q. How soon after you arrived there was the order issued which interrupted recruiting?

A. I can't answer you more exactly than to say that it was several days before the date of my special order. I think it was three days before that date at least for I was that time or more in getting that order through.

Q. After the issuing of that order, did any of the Maine recruiting agents excepting Mr. Stimson get any recruits, or did they leave at the time of the issuing of the order and return to Maine?

A. Nobody mustered under that order any men but Mr. Stimson. I think the other agents had all left Washington at or before the time the order issued. I never saw any of them there afterwards recruiting. I refer to the special order to me, a copy of which is annexed.

Q. From the time of your arrival in Washington, the first or second of September, to the issuing of the order, September 9, did A. B. Farwell or William Emery or J. H. Manley procure any men? If so, how many?

A. I can't state exactly when they got them, whether it was before I arrived in Washington or between that time and the date of the order. I don't think they added any to their recruits after I got there, or but very few, for I think the embarrassments were such that they couldn't.

Q. Do you know anything of Farwell's procuring some thirty-seven or thirty-eight men, regulars and others, re-enlisted at Camp Barry?

A. I do not.

Q. Was not the competition among recruiting agents so brisk that each one knew what men the other obtained?

A. I think they knew approximately for they were in the habit of talking these matters over freely at the Maine State Agency and elsewhere.

Q. If Farwell had obtained that number of men at that place, would you not have been likely to know it?

A. I think the other agents would have been more likely to know than I should.

Q. Did you read a published statement of Mr. Farwell's in the Portland Advertiser of October 5th, 1869, detailing his proceedings in Washington and vicinity in recruiting men for Maine? And if so, did the statement therein of the number of men that he had procured, correspond with your own recollection or exceed it?

A. I saw the article and read it soon after it was published. I did not know the time Mr. Farwell went to Washington, the precise time that he was there. I thought the number stated in the article referred to was large, considering the difficulties that Stimson and myself encountered while we were there.

Q. Aside from the operation of said order of September 9, 1864, how many men, if any, would you have been able to muster-in and assign, and did you muster-in and assign?

A. There was a peremptory order from the War Department issued before my special order forbidding the mustering of any more men in the Veteran Reserve Corps, so that all the men Stimson obtained on the quotas of the towns of Kennebunk and Alfred were obtained under the operations of my said special order.

Q. Did you come to Augusta with the muster rolls, enlistment papers and bounty receipts of the Stimson men and there procure the reimbursement of the State bounties advanced to said men?

A. The muster-in rolls were forwarded here to the Adjutant General's office by mail, I think, and we started from Washington with the original State bounty receipt roll in the possession of Mr. Stimson and in his hands, but there was a row in the omnibus from Willard's to the depot in Washington and Mr. Stimson having laid the package down, in the excitement and hurry, forgot

it, and when we arrived at Baltimore we telegraphed back for it and also telegraphed from Philadelphia and New York, but we were never able to obtain it. We settled our account at the Adjutant General's office at Augusta upon a certified copy of the original roll made from the muster papers, containing the affidavits of Mr. Stimson and myself as to the above facts.

Q. Was your assignments to the towns of Alfred and Kennebunk in any way interfered with by the Adjutant General or any other of the State authorities here?

A. Never.

Q. Were you provided with cash funds to carry out enlistment contracts made by Stimson for the towns of Alfred and Kennebunk? If so, to what amount?

A. I was; that was the very purpose for which I went to Washington. I carried there $17,500 in cash which was paid out to the men as they were recruited.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, December 17, 1870.

Mr. STONE appeared and his examination was continued.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were any of the re-enlisted men obtained by the Maine recruiting agents mustered into the U. S. Infantry, or allowed to be?

A. Not to my knowledge. There were certain privileges to which men in the Veteran Reserve Corps were entitled which made this corps a favorite service. It grew out of the nature of the service on which the corps was to be employed.

JAS. M. STONE.

A. (Copy.)

[*Paper annexed to the foregoing Deposition of James M. Stone, and referred to, pages* 341 [324], 344 [325], 345 [326], 348 [327].

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Office,
Washington, D. C., September 9, 1864.

Capt. John S. Poland, Commissary of Musters, Washington, D. C.

Captain,—I have the honor to state, that before General Orders No. 305, A. G. O., were rescinded by circular No. 72 from A. G. O. of the 6th inst., Col. Stone had taken the preliminary steps to re-enlist 75 Maine men now in the Veteran Reserve Corps, who have served two years and have less than one year to serve. These men were to be credited to the towns of Kennebunk, Alfred and North Berwick in the First Congressional District of Maine. Capt. Putnam is directed to re-muster and credit THESE MEN the same as if the order had not been rescinded. This is a special case and not a rule or precedent.

I have the honor to be, Captain,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General.
Official copy. J. S. POLAND, Capt. U. S. A., Commissary Musters, Dep't Washington.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, December 21, 1870.

CHARLES K. PARTRIDGE sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you a clerk in the Adjutant General's office in the summer and fall of 1864?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Look at these books entitled "Enlistments commencing June 1, 1864," for the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th districts, and state whether they are the official and original entries of enlistments and credits for the year 1864 after June 1st.

A. I should say they were, sir.

Q. Was it not the practice in the Adjutant General's office to enter upon these books the enlistment of soldiers, with the time of muster and town to whose credit the enlistment was made, as fast as the muster-in rolls were received?

A. Yes, sir. As fast as the Adjutant General got certain evidence of muster and credit, entries were made in said books.

Q. Are the cancellations in said books on account of substitutes, transferred to other books?

A. The cancellations appear to be of that character. The books show for themselves.

CHAS. K. PARTRIDGE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 30, 1870.

CHARLES K. PARTRIDGE of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you a clerk in the Adjutant General's office during the sessions of the Naval Commission?

A. I was.

Q. Did you make, or assist in making the records of their action, in whole or in part?

A. I did in part. Capt. Worcester and I compared the returns, and they were entered on a "blotter" by Capt. Worcester and myself and other clerks in the Adjutant General's office. The permanent records of the Commission were afterwards made up from that blotter.

Q. Had you any knowledge or information that any of the returns of selectmen of towns were of men not residents of their respective towns, who were claimed as residents solely on the ground that they had been bought for said towns of brokers or assigned to the credit of said towns under some authority?

A. No, I had no information. Whenever any returns from more than one

town seemed to contain names similar to each other, we struck them off entirely from the list until we could hear further from the towns.

Q. Do you remember of instances in which returns from different towns claimed similar names as residents? If so, in about how many instances?

A. I don't recollect individual instances, but they were quite frequent.

Q. In such cases do you remember whether further evidence was furnished as to the genuineness of the names, or whether other returns were substituted with other names?

A. In some instances the claim was substantiated by further proof, and in some few instances new returns were made with other names added. In others the claim was dropped altogether.

Q. How late did you remain connected with the Adjutant General's office, and with the Commission?

A. I was connected with the Adjutant General's office until December, and I think I had more or less to do with the Commission during that time.

Q. Had you any knowledge of the distribution of what were called "General Naval Credits," up to September 5, 1864?

A. I had nothing to do with the distribution of any credits except to adjust them according to the returns, and to place them upon the schedules.

Q. Have you any knowledge of a list of naval recruits said to have been obtained by one John P. Heath, and brought or sent to Augusta to be laid before the Naval Commission by one John T. Hull?

A. I have no knowledge of a list brought or sent by John T. Hull. I knew of a list of naval recruits containing, I should think, not more than a hundred and fifty names, forwarded by John P. Heath. Some of these names were taken up by the returns of towns, and the remainder, as I suppose, went to the general credit.

Q. Look at these papers taken from the Adjutant General's office, to wit: "Enlistments in Portland in 1864 for the week ending June 18, 1864," also, same for "the week ending April 23, 1864," both bearing the signature of John P. Heath, and state whether they are the papers referred to?

A. (Witness looks.) They are not.

Q. Look at the paper certified by Capt. Green, and containing the name of Andrew J. Riley and eleven others, and state what you remember about it.

A. I think such a list was sent to the Adjutant General by some recruiting officer, for credit to the State, and it was found by the Commission that the men had already been returned by towns and credited.

Q. Describe the paper which you say was forwarded by John P. Heath.

A. The list was on several sheets of foolscap paper—not a printed blank—signed by John P. Heath, and certified by him to be a list of men re-enlisted for the navy.

Q. What disposition was made of the names on said list?

A. So far as they were taken up by the returns of towns they were put to the credit of said towns. I do not know what disposition was made of the balance. I suppose they were put to the general credit.

Q. Do you know anything of the list of 251 naval credits, referred to in a communication from Provost Marshal General Fry to Major Littler, dated December 10, 1864, and its disposition?

A. No, sir, I know nothing about the letter or the list.

Q. Do you know anything of a list of Marine Corps men presented at the Adjutant General's office, with which Mr. D. T. Pike had some connection?

A. No, sir.

Q. While connected with the Adjutant General's office, or the Naval Commission, was there a list of some six hundred names, claimed as naval recruits by John P. Heath, or a similar list of about two hundred and fifty-one such recruits, or a list of several hundred Marine Corps enlistments, shown to, or seen by you, or were either of said lists filed, deposited, entered, transcribed or recorded by yourself or any clerk in the office of the Adjutant General or Naval Commission?

A. No, sir, I have no recollection of any lists of the kind except that to which I have alluded already.

Q. Was there any difficulty in tracing the assignment made in the Adjutant General's office to the towns respectively where such assignments had been made, on the receipt of muster rolls from the agent or officer who had recruited the men?

A. There was no difficulty. All the names of recruits were transferred from the rolls to the records, and the assignment of the men is readily ascertainable by reference to the district enlistment books in reference to which I have previously testified.

Q. If the name of any recruit was furnished whose muster roll or enlistment paper had been returned to the Adjutant General's office, could the town to whose credit he was assigned be ascertained by reference to said books?

A. Yes, sir, it could.

CHAS. K. PARTRIDGE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, December 21, 1870.

GEORGE N. PAGE of Augusta, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you clerk in the Adjutant General's office in the summer and fall of 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Look at these books entitled "Enlistments commencing June 1, 1864," for the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th Districts, and state whether they are the official and original entries of enlistments and credits for the year 1864, after June 1st, and are not the most of the entries in your handwriting?

A. (Witness looks as directed.) They are the original and official entries. The most of the entries are in my handwriting. Some of the entries I recognize as in the handwriting of other clerks then in the office.

Q. Was it the practice of the Adjutant General's office to enter upon these books the names of all enlisted soldiers for Maine, with the date of muster and town to which they were assigned, from such muster rolls as were received at the office?

A. For all enlistments in the army it was. There are a few entries of enlistments in the navy and of representative recruits and volunteer substitutes which were originally entered in these books, but afterwards the practice was to enter these classes upon separate books.

GEORGE N. PAGE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, December 26, 1870.

JOHN T. HULL of Portland, sworn and examined.

BY GEO. F. TALBOT, CHAIRMAN.

Deposes and says in answer to the following interrogatories, viz:

Q. What, if any, agency had you in filling the quota of Portland in the year 1864 with certain naval recruits?

A. I was employed by the city of Portland pretty much during the war to fill quotas. I obtained a list of the residents of Portland who had enlisted in the navy during the war, numbering about 300, and forwarded it to the Naval Commission at Augusta. They were bona fide residents of Portland, and subject to enrolment there, the list was allowed and put to the credit of Portland. I also furnished in the summer or fall of said year another list of about 600 names, obtained of John P. Heath, a recruiting officer, certified by him as the names of persons, aliens and others, not resident of Portland, enlisted by him in Portland and sent forward to the Receiving Ship Ohio at Boston, and sent the same to the Naval Commision at Augusta.

Q. What action did the Naval Commission take on said last list, and what correspondence had you with the State military authorities about said list? If you have such correspondence please produce the same; if it is lost, state the substance of it.

A. I had correspondence with the Adjutant General's office with regard to said list, which correspondence was destroyed in the great fire here of 1866. As near as I can remember, the Adjutant wrote that the Naval Commission declined to allow that list, on the ground that the persons named in it were not residents of Portland, and he said they would be put to the general credit of the State, and Portland would get her share of them.

Q. Are you knowing to the fact that the municipal authorities of Portland afterwards complained that other towns had some of the names on said list credited to them, and that they claimed that Portland ought to have the benefit of them? If so, please state what correspondence on the subject followed between the Adjutant General and said authorities.

A. In the Adjutant's first letter he had stated that some of the men had already been returned as residents of towns in this State, and the State at large would have the balance of them. It was rumored afterwards that the men had been taken and sold to different towns, and complaints were made that Portland had not been fairly dealt by. This was the year after the lists were sent in. Some remarks that the Mayor of Portland had made upon the subject came to the knowledge of the Adjutant General, and he wrote a letter to me criticizing

sharply what the mayor had said about the matter. I replied to the letter, stating that it was rumored that the men had been improperly assigned to other towns, and that if such was the fact the people of Portland should know it, and he wrote me a long letter in reply, apologizing for the sharpness of his previous letter, commenting on the mayor's declaration, speaking highly of what Portland had done throughout the war, and then stated that it had been the intention of the authorities at Augusta to credit these men to the State at large, and that they were at first so credited, but that for prudential and political reasons it was afterwards found expedient to give other towns the benefit of some of these men. I remember particularly the phrase "prudential and political reasons," as I frequently showed the letter, and commented upon that portion of it. The letter itself was burnt in the great fire.

Q. How many names were borne in said Heath list?

A. I cannot tell the exact number. It was exceeding 600.

Q. Did the city of Portland in fact obtain credit for any men except the actual residents borne upon the list of about 300?

A. It did not.

Q. Do you know whether any of the names upon said Heath list were also sold to towns and cities in Massachusetts and allowed upon its quota?

A. I do not know it of my own knowledge. I know that the enlistment was not considered as made here, but on board the naval rendezvous in Boston, and that the assignment and credit was made at the time and place of recruiting in Massachusetts. I know of instances of men enlisted by Heath here, who claimed bounty of Portland and had been assigned to towns in Massachusetts.

Q. Did you ever see any of Heath's recruiting papers? If yea, describe how they were prepared, arranged and signed?

A. Heath had certain blanks prepared by the State. They contained the names of the recruits, with a descriptive list for each signed by the surgeon. These blanks he would get signed by the commandant of the receiving-ship, on board which the men were taken, and the names of the men would be entered upon the books of the ship. After this was done he would sign his own name in the blank (before unfilled) as the recruiting officer, and insert the town to which the men respectively were assigned. I have seen a number of these blanks in the Adjutant General's office in Augusta, sent there to collect State bounty.

Q. Are you knowing to any proposals made to the municipal officers of Portland by persons claiming to be recruiting officers of naval recruits? If so, please state what said proposals were, by whom, to whom, and when made, and what was the action if any taken thereon?

A. A man claiming to belong to Brookline, Massachusetts, was introduced to Mayor McLellan early in 1865, who offered to fill up the quota of Portland with naval recruits from the Receiving-ship Ohio. He told me that he would make out a list of the men, and if the municipal officers would certify that they were residents of Portland and subject to enrolment there, he would get them credited to Portland. I declined on behalf of the city having anything to do with it.

Q. According to your best information, how many actual men did John P. Heath recruit for the navy at his recruiting station in Portland during the war?

A. I should say eight hundred men or more.

JOHN T. HULL.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, December 30, 1870.

Hon. HIRAM RUGGLES of Carmel sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you a member of the Executive Council for the year 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Do you know anything of the town of Levant's having obtained twelve men from the "General Naval Credits?"

A. Some time I think in the month of August, Lorenzo A. Bowler of Levant, came to my house in Carmel and stated that their town—well as he expressed it—was in a state of revolt on account of unjust assessment of men—that is that their quotas were too large—and the town officers had resigned after coming over here and failing to get any redress, and they couldn't possibly fill their quota, and wished me to come to Augusta and see if I couldn't do something for them. I inquired into their case and found that their quota was about double what other towns in the vicinity was, that is, of the same size. I made up my mind that there was some mistake about it, and I told Mr. Bowler that if he would pay my expenses I would come over here with him. We likewise did come, and I had an interview with the Governor, and I told the Governor there must be some mistake about it somewhere, as the town had filled all its previous quotas and it was now assessed nearly double that of others of the same size. I did not go into the particulars. When I left the Governor — this was before dinner — he said he would see General Hodsdon and see what could be done. After dinner I came up to the State House and was sitting in the Secretary's office; General Hodsdon came in and asked me what reduction would be satisfactory in the case of Levant. I told him I thought they ought to have fifteen taken from their quota, which would leave over twenty, and more than other towns. Mr. Hodsdon gave me a paper I think to give to the Provost Marshal at Bangor reducing their quota fifteen I think. I passed that paper to Mr. Bowler. There was nothing said about men, and I supposed it was simply reducing their quota. "*Men*" was not used and nothing said about getting men. I am very positive that I asked a reduction of fifteen but he might have said they would make it twelve. I don't pretend to recollect exactly.

Q. Do you remember any conversation of the Adjutant General in reference to the adjustment of the quota which you had effected?

A. He remarked on handing me the paper, that the town of Levant ought to pay me $3000 for my day's work.

Q. Did you afterwards learn that the reduction was actually made by the assignment of a certain number of naval credits to the town of Levant through your influence?

A. I learned two years afterwards on the streets here, that General Hodsdon had so testified before a committee of the legislature, and I sought the opportunity to go before the committee, and did so, and make the explanation that I have here made.

Q. Do you not know that the District Provost Marshal at Bangor could not reduce the quota by a mere certificate or request, and that it could only be reduced by producing evidence that the naval commission or the Governor had assigned an equivalent number of naval men to the town?

A. I never thought but there was power right there. I accomplished what I came over for. I am sure the paper did not contain a list of names.

Q. Did the town of Levant pay any broker or other person anything for said twelve or fifteen names?

A. I think I could say positively not. I know that town officers have spoken of it as a great relief to their town. I received nothing and believe that no one did.

Q. When did you first hear of the matter of naval credits or paper credits? from whom and under what circumstances?

A. In the fall of 1864 I was in Bangor and Mayor Dale — then mayor of the city — asked me what about these paper credits. He said he had written over to General Hodsdon to see if Bangor couldn't have some naval credits and he had received a letter which he handed me to read, written by General Hodsdon, in which he stated that there were no naval credits that the city could have, but Bangor could have some paper credits for $425 per man or apiece—I won't pretend to be positive about that language — that Daniel T. Pike and J. H. Manley controlled. I told the Mayor Dale that I had no knowledge of what it meant, that I could give no explanation. The next I heard that the town of Newport had been over here and filled her quota for $425 per man. In conversation with the agents of Newport I learned that the men so procured were not residents of Newport, and never were there residents. This was at a time and under a call when men had to be citizens of the towns as I understood it.

Q. Had the Executive Council for 1864 any connection with or responsibility for the filling of quotas or recruiting of men?

A. Not any.

HIRAM RUGGLES.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, December 31, 1870.

WILLIAM H. CHESLEY of Lincoln, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you a member of the legislature for the years 1865 and 1866?

A. I was a member of the House for those years, from the town of Lincoln.

Q. Did you serve on the committees of investigation in reference to what were called "paper credits," raised by the legislature for 1865 and 1866?

A. I did.

Q. Who was the chairman of the committee for 1865, and where and at what times did it hold its sessions?

A. Nathan Webb was the chairman on the part of the House. I don't recollect the chairman on the part of the Senate. It held its sessions at the Augusta House, in Mr. Webb's room, I think.

Q. Whom do you remember as witnesses testifying or making statements before your committee?

A. A. B. Farwell, J. H. Manley, and one Capt. Cochrane. I don't remember any others, excepting that the committee met Gov. Cony by invitation at his room in the State House, and he made some statements to them. We had but two or three sessions. It was late in the session of the legislature when we began to work.

Q. Were these persons sworn? Were their statements committed to writing? If so, by whom?

A. They were not sworn. Their statements were committed to writing by Nathan Webb, and assented to by each one. The statements of the Governor were not taken down.

Q. What became of the original minutes kept by Mr. Webb?

A. They were placed in the hands of the committee of 1866, on which also I served, and I saw a part of them there. Previously to their passing into the hands of the committee of 1866, they were copied by me. I kept my copies until the winter of 1869–'70, when I sent them to A. B. Chase, member of the House for that year from the town of Winn, for the purpose of having them laid before the committee of investigation of that year.

Q. Look at these papers, being two sheets written over seven pages, and purporting to be certified by you, and state whether the certificate was written and signed by you, and if the said seven pages were written by you and contain a true copy of the minutes of A. B. Farwell's testimony before the committee of 1865, taken down by Mr. Webb?

A. (The witness looks.) They were written by me, and are true copies of the statements of Mr. Farwell taken down by Mr. Webb. There is a mistake at the head; the date "1864" should be 1865. The certificate at the bottom was written and signed by me.

Q. Look at this paper, purporting to be a copy of a letter from A. B. Far-

well to J. L. Hodsdon, and state whether or not you copied the same from a certified copy furnished by J. L. Hodsdon to the investigating committee?

A. (The witness looks.) It is a true copy of a letter furnished the committee by either Hodsdon or Farwell.

Q. Look at this paper marked "Manley's statement, 1865," and purporting to be attested by you, and state whether the facts in said certificate are true?

A. (Witness looks.) The certificate is true save that a part of the testimony—that written upon one sheet—is missing.

Q. Do you know where the rest of your copy of Manley's statement is?

A. I do not. It was complete when sent to Mr. Chase.

Q. Did you also take and send to Mr. Chase a copy of Mr. Cochrane's statement? If so, do you know where it now is?

A. I intended to send to Mr. Chase, and I think I did send him, a complete copy of all the testimony taken by that committee, including Mr. Cochrane's. Where the rest of it now is, I do not know.

Q. In whose custody were these papers at the time you took copies of them?

A. In that of Hon. A. D. Manson of Bangor, a Senator from Penobscot county.

Q. Have you any recollection of the statements made by Mr. Manley preceding those in this copy? If so, please detail them.

A. I would not undertake to say at this length of time what he did say, excepting so far as the copy sets it forth.

Q. Do you remember whether or not Gov. Cony, in your committee's said interview with him, gave any explanations of his action in distributing to towns or individuals the naval credits which he undertook to assign? If so, please detail the same.

A. Yes. I remember very well a statement made by Gov. Cony with reference to the distribution of the surplus of navy credits. He said to the committee at that time that he distributed those credits for political purposes; that if he had it to do again he might do it in a different way, but should do it because we were fighting, as he said, a political battle of equal importance in his opinion, to any in the field. The Governor exhibited a paper to the committee at that time which he said was a correct list of the distribution.

Q. Do you know who testified before the committee of the Legislature in 1866, of which you were a member?

A. I don't remember all, but I remember Pike, Dr. Jordon of Bangor, Manley, Farwell, Gen. Hodsdon, J. W. Porter of Burlington. There were others whose names I do not remember.

Q. Did you compare the statements of Farwell in 1866 with the written statements of 1865? If so, did the statements agree substantially?

A. I don't remember of comparing them or whether they agreed or not. I desire to state that the paper stated by me to have been exhibited by the Governor to the committee of 1865, may have been exhibited to the committee of 1866 instead.

WM. H. CHESLEY.

[*Papers annexed to the foregoing deposition of Wm. H. Chesley.*]

A.

Friday, Feb. 10, 1864.

A. B. Farwell:—My commission from Adjutant General was dated from 10th to 18th of August. The District of Columbia and NW and SW Virginia I think. I will hand it to the Committee. I think I got something over sixty names, including the Veteran Reserve and men who enlisted into the volunteers, there may have been eighty — all the names I ever had I obtained while acting under that authority. I was at home before the 2d of September and left in the middle of August. All the men that I enlisted from those who had gone from volunteer service into regular army by personal interviews; they were from twelve to twenty I should think; there were some men in the Veteran Reserve Corps who had served their two years, re-enlisted at the place where I had my head-quarters, but not through my efforts. They were re-enlisted, some by Mr. Stimson of York county, some by Mr. Garcelon of this city, three by William Emery, and one, I think, by Mr. Manley. I bought their enlistment papers. I knew they had been enlisted and I think in all instances their papers were witnessed by Mr. Hines. Those men were paid as high as $500 or $600. I had contracted with town of Sidney to fill its quota for $500. All of the balance were enlisted men in the navy. I obtained a small portion from a vessel commanded by a captain who went from Eastport, I don't remember his name. I obtained them through his influence; I went on board the vessel and he did the talking. It was either the Canonicus or the Conomough, and I think the latter. Those men on the Conomough substantially $200; the men received $150 each. I took from them the certified rolls, the officers' rolls. The others their number I don't remember, but I think thirty, I bought of a man in Washington who had the list after I had satisfied myself that they were properly certified lists; this last list was certified by the officers of the Receiving-ship North Carolina. The man's name was, I think, Harrington. He was in no official position. That made up all I had. I held their papers. The naval were all certified at the Provost Marshal's office. My papers were all sent to him as I received them, and there was nothing to show my claim in any way. That certified copy I never saw till I saw it here. The way was this, after taking copies of the papers I sent them to General Fry, and sent a copy to Adjutant General of Maine. Afterwards I saw in General Hodsdon's office, the originals certified by the Provost Marshal. I do not remember how many I sold, about enough to get back what I had paid out and a little more. The men I obtained from the Conomough, I sent their names and a letter to the Adjutant General that I only wanted to retain to repay me, and if any towns were hard pressed politically, he could assign them, and when I returned I found he had done so. I sent the names on as soon as I got them; I believe none of these names were assigned till General Hodsdon had written to Capt. Poland, the mustering officer, and ascertained if they had been properly mustered. They were all disposed of before the September election, every man that ever I had anything to do with. Had no difficulty at the Provost Marshal's office about the residence of these men. There were no men assign-

ed by me in this State without a certificate being furnished from the State authorities—thus, the men furnished by you have been credited to such a town. I supplied, I recollect, Sidney, Winthrop, I am not sure about Readfield. A man who lives in Hartland came here and told me he wanted ten men, but think he did tell me for what town. I let Mr. Williamson have some of those men, I think he lived in Starks, or in Mercer. I remember two on the town of Chesterville, but no pay for them. I drew $300 State bounty for the men who had re-enlisted in the Veteran Reserve Corps, on the men's own receipts, as part of the sum for which I sold the men. For the naval credits that I put on the town of Sidney I think I received $260, and there was no State bounty. I charged them no profit for filling their quota, at the special request of the Adjutant General the towns in most cases of naval men that they would claim no bounty. In cases of re-enlisted men at the front the receipt must be signed by the re-enlisting man signed by two witnesses, one of whom must be a sergeant. I never received any compensation from the State for my services. I think I sold between fifty and sixty. I don't know who had the benefit of the others, I never transferred them to any one, nor received anything for them. They were distributed by the Adjutant General or the Governor. I wrote the Adjutant General that he could dispose of ten or fifteen of them if he could dispose of them to the advantage of the country. Several, or in fact most of the men who re-enlisted in the Veteran Reserve Corps were citizens of Maine. I don't know that the balance of them ever knew that there was such a place as the State of Maine. There was nothing to prevent the State having agents to get these men for the benefit of the State. I have no doubt that the State could have got them equally as cheap if the agents had been as sharp as a man would be for his own benefit. In May, 1864, was chief clerk of Construction Bureau of the Navy Department. Governor wanted me to leave that and take the Maine State Agency at Washington. I did so and took charge of that agency and the relief association for our soldiers from New York to Petersburg. Up to that time I think there been no credits of naval recruits up to that time, Governor wanted me to take care of all the interests of the State. My facilities were such that 3000 men were procured, and ordered by the War Department to be turned over to the general credit of the State. The Governor issued notice to towns to report lists of the citizens in the navy. They claimed most, say three-fourths of these men, the rest were distributed by the Governor. I say 3000 were procured by my efforts, and no one made any money out of them; I continued to work for the State till my health broke down. I furnished a substitute at an expense of $450, who went on the credit of this city, for which I have not been paid. I never spent an hour in my life in looking up men for the purpose of making money from them. I could have turned those 3000 men over to Massachusetts and put $1,500,000 in my pocket. The men in the navy who were turned over to the State were many who were never citizens of the State. Those who were known to be citizens of the State, were accounted for whether alive or dead, but the others it was required should be known to be alive. I have no doubt that by the appointment of suitable agents 5000 men could be obtained for the quota of the State, from the aliens in the squadrons at an expense of not exceeding $100 per man. Massachusetts got almost every re-enlisted veteran from the State of Maine. They

paid $500 when we were offering only $300. Nothing was said by the State officials about controlling the men that I should get. I only expected to fill seventeen men for Sidney, though I had some talk with Buckfield. But as soon as got to Washington I sent them word to look out for thei quota elsewhere. No one was interested with me. Col. Stone was there and filled the quota of Kennebunk.

The above is a true copy of the statement of A. B. Farwell before the Legislative Investigating Committee of 1865, as taken down by Nathan Webb of Portland, one of said Committee.

Attest: W. H. CHESLEY.

[See also papers following marked D and E.]

[*Copy of letter from A. B. Farwell to J. L. Hodsdon.*]

B.

Washington, D. C., August 19, 1864.

Dear General,—I have to-day forwarded the papers, fully approved, of 31 naval recruits from the gun-boat "Canonicus." As I only desire to retain a sufficient number of these men to remunerate me for the actual expenses incurred, you or the Governor, or both, are at liberty to assign 10 or 15 of them to any towns that may be hard pressed politically, if it will aid us any in the election. I hope our friends in the nomination of Representatives and Senator toil that Fessenden is not cheated. Very Respectfully,

A. B. FARWELL.

To A. G., Augusta, Me.

True copy, JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj't Gen'l, pr. N. T.

Augusta, February 14, 1865.

Taken from a copy, certified by the Adjutant General. W. H. CHESLEY.

[See also papers following marked D and E.]

C.

J. H. MANLEY, continued.*

[**See Wm. H. Chesley's testimony, page* 336.]

I left Washington and returned to Boston, took my list, carried it to Capt. Green on board Receiving Ship Ohio. He handed it to his Lieutenant, and ordered his books to be examined, and gave his certificate that the men all appeared as duly enlisted on board his ship, and no place of residence was borne on the books against their names. I then went before Gov. Andrew and Gov. Clifford, who were then acting as the Commission for Massachusetts. This was in October, 1864; took their list of the men they were claiming for Massachusetts. I found that they had the same names, although they had no enlistment papers. They had the name simply. I told Capt. Green that I wished him to inform the Governor of Massachusetts that those men were claimed by me. He sent it officially. He had examined my enlistment papers. I went to New York and had a map of the coast made, employed counsel who looked up the population of the towns on the coasts. I was striving to show

the erroneousness of the decision of Provost Marshal General Fry. Then we produced a certificate from the Navy Department that at the time these men were enlisted no receiving ship was in the waters of Maine, nor in Portsmouth. Then in November the case was presented by counsel again to Gen. Fry, too late for use under the former call, and we did not press for a decision until after the December call, when we pressed and got a decision in our favor. While this matter was undecided by Gen. Fry, I had an offer from parties that if I would surrender the claim I was prosecuting in favor of Maine and would prosecute it for Massachusetts, of $550 per man, which I refused. He sent an order to Major Littler, which I have never seen. He told me that the decision was in our favor, and that an order had been sent to the Provost Marshal of Maine to distribute the men. I came home then, and began to distribute them. The enlistment papers were surrendered to Gen. Fry on his demand, when the decision was announced. I said nothing to him about their being vouchers for State bounty, because we did not intend to make any claim on the State. I kept no copy of them. I know they were not copied by the person who passed them to me. I can have a list copied and furnish it. I furnished no men for the 14th regiment. I deposited in the hands of Major Winship, State paymaster at Maine, town bounty and State bounty to be paid out on the production of triplicate receipts. These were men I never saw, and only did this for the convenience of the men, at the suggestion of Col. Porter. This was when the 14th Maine re-enlisted—I think about a year ago. I supposed at that time if I had the men credited to the State of Maine, they would be at the disposal of the State officers. No papers were given to me at all. I had no conference with the State officials. On my return I made a report to the Adjutant General of my doings under the authority to me, told him the number of men, and after the assignments were all made I furnished him a copy; made no report in writing. The copy was not certified. I gave him the names of the men, the towns and districts to which they were credited. Whenever I made a contract with a town I informed Major Littler of the number, names of men and the towns to which I wished the assignment. What he did I don't know further than that he notified the District Marshal. The decision of General Fry in my favor and against Massachusetts was just after the call of December 19, 1864. The enlistments of my names were in 1862 and 1863. No official person was interested with me, nor did I ever pay any money to any.

The above is a true copy of a statement made by J. H. Manley at Augusta; taken down by Nathan Webb, Esq., of Portland, in the presence of the Legislative Investigating Committee of 1865.

Attest: W. H. Chesley.

[The following papers marked "D" and "E" respectively, are not marked to be annexed to the deposition of Wm. H. Chesley, but as they are original papers, evidently in the handwriting of Wm. S. Dodge and Gen. Hodsdon, and relate to the investigation in relation to which Mr. Chesley testifies, I think it very proper to insert them here.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.]

D.

House of Representatives,
Augusta, February 16th, 1866.

General:—It appears by a letter to your office, from A. B. Farwell, (a copy of it being a part of the evidence before the Committee of Investigation, &c.,) that he forwarded to your office some thirty naval credits in the fall of 1864. Will you please say if said thirty men were placed to his credit, and whether he had the disposal of them. Please say what disposition was made of them.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WM. S. DODGE.

Gen. J. L. Hodsdon, Augusta, Me.

E.

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, February 16th, 1866.

Wm. S. Dodge, Esq.,—Dear Sir:—In response to your letter of to-day, which is herewith returned, I respectfully submit the following reply:—

In collecting names of persons in 1864, (that had entered the navy from Maine) for the purpose of having credit allowed by the commissioners, resort was had to all sources of information that would facilitate this purpose. I recollect of receiving some names of men of this class from Col. A. B. Farwell, then at Washington, and of his suggesting in his letter that sufficient of them should be reserved from credit for the payment of his expenses, but no such reservation was made. All of said names were placed upon the lists of the towns subsequently claimed as the residences of said seamen. Said Farwell nor any one else, other than the places of said seamen's residences, received not the least pecuniary or other benefit from said men's enlistment of credit. Mr. Farwell has *never had the benefit of any credits at this office excepting such as are mentioned in my letter to him, which I understand* has been filed with the investigating committee.

Most resp'y, Your ob't Servant,

JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj't General.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, January 4, 1871.

WILLIAM ATKINSON of Embden, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Did you ever see a list of naval or marine credits, said to have been assigned to towns in Maine, in the hands of General Hodsdon? If so, where, when, and under what circumstances?

A. When Hon. Dennis L. Milliken and others were in session at Augusta, on a Commission for Equalizing Municipal War Debts, General Hodsdon wrote a letter to the selectmen of the town of Embden, offering to act as agent and attorney for the town to prepare and prosecute its claim for reimbursement, and this letter was shown to me and I recommended his employment, and he was so employed. I was down here during the session of the legislature of 1869, and saw Mr. Milliken at the Augusta House, and he remarked to me that he wanted me to call into the room where the Commission held its sessions, the next day, and I did so. He then informed me of the fact that Embden had put in these paper men. It was thought, or stated by the Commission, that we couldn't get reimbursement for those men, thereupon I called upon General Hodsdon, the agent of the town, at his house in Augusta, for information upon the subject. During the conversation and explanation upon the subject, he produced a manuscript or schedule upon which was written a list of men's names, a long list amounting to several hundred, and upon that schedule or list of names was the certificate of an army or navy officer from Washington, D. C.—it purported to come from Washington—verifying or stating that the men had been put into the service of the United States, I don't recollect whether army or navy. I have a strong impression that we found some of Embden's paper men on that list.

WM. ATKINSON.

[*Correspondence with Major Gardiner.*]

Enclosed with a note and sent to Robert H. Gardiner, Gardiner, Me., requesting him to complete address and forward, (not knowing Major's address.)

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, December 3, 1870.

Major J. W. T. GARDINER:

Dear Sir,—The undersigned Commissioners, appointed under a resolve of of the Legislature of Maine to investigate "&c.," have learned that certain facts pertinent to the investigation and highly honorable to yourself, are within your personal knowledge. The Commissioners believe that if you could consistently with your health and private engagements, appear before them at Augusta sometime during the present month and give your testimony you would

be rendering a valuable service to the State for which you would be favorably remembered. We have no doubt the expense incurred in meeting this request can be compensated under the discretion of the Governor and Council.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

(Signed) GEO. F. TALBOT, A. SANBORN, SELDON CONNOR, } Commissioners.

[*Reply of Major Gardiner to foregoing.*]

P. O. Box No. 466½, Montreal, Canada, December 8, 1870.

Gentlemen,—Your letter of the 3d was received yesterday. In reply, I beg leave to state, that I am not in possession of any information that would be of service to the Commission. While I was in charge of the recruiting for the State, no claims were allowed that were not based on actual flesh and blood. I have always believed that I was relieved from duty because I stood in the way of those who wished to perpetrate frauds, and I think I am not alone in this belief. I rejected many claims, but at this distance of time I recall but a single one, which is referred to on page eleven of the report of the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. I reported this case to Washington as being particularly outrageous. I was informed by my successor, Major Littler, that he allowed this claim by direction of General Fry. Had Major Littler been tried, as was at first ordered, many facts would have come out which would have been useful to the Commission. Regretting that I am not able to assist in your investigation,

I am, gentlemen, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. W. T. GARDINER, Major U. S. A.

Messrs. G. F. Talbot, A. Sanborn, S. Connor, } Commissioners.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation, Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870, Augusta, December 21, 1870.

Major J. W. T. Gardiner:

Dear Sir,—Your communication of the 8th of December, was duly received. We regret your decision not to wait upon us personally and give us such information as we designed to solicit. We think that while it will subserve your convenience, it will answer our purpose if you will, without unnecessary delay send us written answers to the following questions:—To make the subject-matter of our enquiries intelligible we enclose copies of certain official papers with which you seem to have had some connection—

1. Referring to letter of yourself and Gov. Cony, dated August 26, 1864, what was the number of persons liable to enrolment enlisted into the U. S. Navy from Maine, as shown by the aggregate of the actual returns of the municipal officers of towns in Maine? Was it 3083 or 2626?

2. If it was 3083, why were not the whole number assigned to the towns claiming them according to said returns? If it was 2626, by what returns, rolls,

records or other data was it ascertained that there were 457 more such persons assignable to the general credit of the State?

3. Were enlistments made after August 10th in ships sent to the coast of Maine returned by the naval officer to yourself as A. A. P. M. General? If so, what was the form of such returns, by how many and what naval officers were they forwarded, and what was the aggregate or about the aggregate of enlistments so returned?

4. Were the 139 persons referred to as those returned from the P. M. General's office also found claimed in the several returns of municipal officers of towns? How many men in all were so returned from the P. M. General's office, and at about what time?

5. What list of men enlisted at the several receiving ships who could not be credited to any particular town, do you refer to in said communication? Were said lists presented to the Naval Commission? If so, when, by whom, at what time; for what receiving ships, and for about how many men?

6. From what data did you determine that the State was entitled to about 1000 additional naval enlistments that had not been furnished to the Naval Commission?

7. Was the assignment to districts as per paper marked "C," in exact accordance with the returns of selectmen claiming the residence of seamen, and how were the 457 "general credits" assigned?

8. Referring to your communication of September 2, 1864, marked "D," what certificates of Provost Marshals do you refer to? Were there such certificates in addition to the returns of the selectmen, and did the number certified by the Provost Marshals correspond with the number returned by the selectmen?

9. Referring to statements of "additional naval credits," marked "E," are the additional credits in the first column, 56, 36, 41, 22 and 11, respectively, the numbers called for by additional returns of selectmen, or by additional returns of naval officers at the recruiting stations, or by additional certificates of Provost Marshals?

10. On what account, in what manner, and for what purpose, were the 50 persons or names transferred from the "general credits" to the credit of districts? Were they not so transferred to the credit of particular towns? Were they not so transferred to the credit of Mercer, Sidney, Norridgewock, and other towns? At whose instance and solicitation was the transfer made? Was it, or not, done for the purpose of reimbursing A. B. Farwell for some equitable claim that he had or claimed to have? Did you have any agency in, or knowledge of such transfer, or was it done by the Governor alone?

11. What disposition was made of the 457 "general credits"? State particularly and fully.

12. Referring to a communication of Gen. Fry to Major Littler, December 10, 1864, was the list of 251 therein referred to ever shown to you? If so, by whom, when, and what action was taken upon it?

13. Did one Peter Gordon, D. T. Pike, or any other person, in the autumn of 1864 exhibit to you a list or roll ostensibly of enlistments into the U. S. Marine Corps in the District of Columbia, for the purpose of procuring your sanction to their being credited on the quotas of districts or sub-districts in

Maine? If so, describe the said papers as minutely as you can, the manner in which they were tied up, signed, sealed and certified, the number of names they contained in all, the persons in whose custody they were, the declarations such persons made in relation to them, and the action which you took in reference to them.

14. Did you at first undertake to assign these names to towns and afterwards desist and refer the whole list to the P. M. General at Washington?

15. How long after such action were you relieved from duty as A. A. P. M. General of Maine?

16. At the time you were so relieved, was the state of your health such as to incapacitate you from duty, and had you asked to be relieved on that account?

17. Had you any knowledge or suspicion that a large number of the returns of selectmen on the credit of which the Naval Commission had made assignments on the quotas of towns in this State were fictitious, and had been procured to be signed by brokers who had sold to officers of the towns for a large premium the names of aliens having no residence in this State, inducing said officers to claim them as residents of their towns because they had bought them for their towns?

18. Had you any knowledge that any of the "general naval credits," or any of the ostensible enlistments reported after August 24, 1864, were assigned to towns at the request of brokers, and to carry out contracts of sale made between them and such towns?

19. Are there any other matters within your recollection pertinent to our inquiry as to the genuineness and good faith of what were claimed to be naval and marine corps enlistments? If so, please narrate the same without further particular interrogation.

[NOTE.—The foregoing communication does not appear, from the manuscript, to have been signed by the Commissioners of Investigation, *or anybody else*; but the following letter from Major J. W. T. Gardiner was evidently written in answer to the foregoing questions, although he refers to a letter dated December 24, 1870, while the foregoing bears the date of December 21, 1870,—SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

Box 466½, Montreal, December 28, 1870.

Gentlemen,—In reply to your letter of the 24th inst., I have to state as follows: I have no papers or memoranda other than those enclosed by you, and my memory does not enable me to answer questions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9. In answer to question 7, I do not remember if the assignments were made in exact accordance with the returns of selectmen or not. They certainly were not made without satisfactory evidence. The general credits were assigned by the Adjutant General of the State, under the direction of the Governor.

Question 10. No assignment of credits was made, to my knowledge, to reimburse A. B. Farwell or any one else. I do not know on "what account, in what manner, and for what purpose the 50 persons or names were transferred from the 'General Credits' to the credit of districts."

Question 11. I understood that the "General Credits" were used by the Adjutant General of the State to meet cases of hardship among the small towns,

many of which had more than their quota in service, but credited to other towns which had paid them bounties.

Question 12. I do not think so large a list was ever shown me. The only list I remember seeing, is that referred to in question 13.

Question 13. D. T. Pike came into my office not long before I was relieved and introduced a man (I think Gordon), who had a list of marines, which he wished to have allowed on the credits of different towns. This list was on a single sheet of foolscap paper, and purported to be certified to by some marine officer (perhaps the adjutant of the marine barracks at Washington navy yard). Against some of the names were written the names of the towns to which it was proposed to assign them. The names purported to be those of marines, who had been in service, some of them as far back as 1861. After examining this paper I pronounced it a fraud, and forwarded it to General Fry, with my opinion of it. Some time afterwards, in conversation with Major Littler, my successor, he informed me that he had allowed these names by direction of General Fry. Pike and Gordon wished to get the list back, but I refused to let them have it, as I thought fraud was intended.

Question 14. I do not recollect agreeing to assign these names. It is possible that at first sight I may have done so, but as soon as I had examined the list I pronounced it a fraud.

Question 15. I was relieved soon after this. I have no memorandum here to fix the date.

Question 16. At the time I was relieved from duty I was in my usual state of health, and entirely able to perform the duties of the office. I tried for months afterwards to be restored to my office. Of course I had not asked to be relieved.

Questions 17 and 18. I had not the slightest knowledge, or suspicion of the kind. If I had had, I should have taken steps at once to prevent the fraud.

Question 19. I do not know that I can give any further information. While I was on duty I endeavored to keep my office clear from fraud, and think I succeeded.

The details of the report of the Naval Commission were worked out by Mr. Partridge (of the Adjutant General's office) acting for Gov. Cony, and Capt. Worcester (formerly of the 3d Maine, now a commission merchant in Norfolk, Va.) acting for me. After they had finished their work, Capt. Worcester explained their mode of working, and I signed the report. I had no time to go into details. Capt. Worcester is now at Norfolk, Va., and could probably give more information than I can. I believe him to be a man of perfect integrity.

I return the stamps beyond those needed.

Very respectfully,

J. W. T. Gardiner, Major.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, January 3, 1871.

Maj. J. W. T. Gardiner, Montreal, Canada:

Dear Major,—Will you please at your earliest possible convenience return answers to the following questions:

1st. One G. M. Delany has sworn that in the summer of 1864 he brought a list of 101 men claimed to be aliens enlisted by John P. Heath into the United States navy to Augusta to be quotaed to towns in Maine; that Gen. Hodsdon refused to quota them without authority from Washington; that he, Delany, then procured an order from Gen. Fry to have these men assigned to districts and sub-districts in Maine, and that this order came to you as A. A. Provost Marshal General. [See pages 212 and 213.] It appears otherwise that the men sold by Delany to towns in Maine, which he says were enumerated in said list, were assigned to said towns by the Naval Commission on certificates of the selectmen of said towns; that they were residents of their towns, such certificates having been prepared and procured to be signed by said Delany. Please say whether you remember any such order issued from the Provost Marshal General's office, and give its tenor and date; please also explain fully what you remember of any of the transactions above referred to.

2d. See extract from a deposition of Wm. H. Small of Alna, hereto annexed marked "A," [see pages 50, 51 and 52 for said Small's testimony] and give your explanations of the matters therein recited. The Stevens named therein appears to have been an agent of Delany.

3d. One John T. Hull [see testimony, pages 331, 332 and 333] of Portland, testifies that in the summer or fall of 1864 he sent to the Naval Commission at Augusta a list of about 600 aliens, recruited by John P. Heath at Portland and sent forward to the Receiving Ship Ohio in Boston, to be credited to the city of Portland, but that the Naval Commission refused so to credit it, and said it would be put to the general credit of the State. Do you remember such list? Was there an order of the Provost Marshal General in reference to its credit? Recite fully all you remember about the matter.

4th. In the communication dated July 7, 1864, from Provost Marshal Gen'l Fry, appointing Gov. Cony and yourself a committee to ascertain what credits the State of Maine and the different sub-divisions of the State are entitled to under section 8, act of July 4, 1864, Gen. Fry says, "the Secretary thinks it will be *fair to assume* that the State in which naval enlistments have been made is entitled to *credit* for the enlistments unless it shall appear by more direct evidence that the credits belong elsewhere." Was it not considered that the instructions contained in the above quotation authorized the credit to this State of aliens and unclaimed non-residents who had enlisted into the naval service in this State at any time during the rebellion, and also of residents of this State enlisting without its limits when satisfactory proof of such residence could be presented? What provision was made by either the War or Navy Department for reporting the men of the classes first named to the Commission, or what steps were taken by the Commission to look them up and secure their credit to the State? In point of fact did not both departments fail to make such pro-

vision, and did not the Commission confine its action to passing upon such credits as were claimed by the officers of towns, thus leaving the obtaining of credits for aliens and non-residents enlisted in the State, and for residents of the State enlisted elsewhere at any time during the rebellion, to private persons who could procure the assignment of them in no other manner than by making use of the "recognized fiction" of town returns?

Very truly and respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) GEO. F. TALBOT,
Chairman of Commission.

[*Reply of Major Gardiner to foregoing.*]

Box 466½, Montreal, Canada, January 6, 1871.

Gentlemen:—Your letter of the 3d was received yesterday, and in answer I have to state as follows:

Question 1st. I do not remember any such order, or anything in relation to the transaction. If sufficient evidence was presented that the men were actually in service, and were not credited elsewhere, I think it probable that on the certificates of the selectmen they would have been credited to their towns.

Question 2d. I cannot recollect anything in relation to this transaction.

Question 3d. The same as question 2d.

Question 4th. In answer to the first clause I would say that I *think* that it was so considered. I do not recollect "what provision, if any, was made by the War or Navy Departments for reporting the men of the classes first named to the Commission." My impression is, that the Commission "did confine its action to passing upon such credits as were claimed by officers of the towns." With regard to the last clause, I know nothing of the "recognized fiction of town returns." I had occasion to reject many claims of towns, but I had never supposed that any fraud had been so systematised as to be designated as "a recognized fiction." While I was on duty, my office was frequently crowded, and I worked surrounded by a crowd of persons asking questions or waiting their turn to ask, and at this distance of time, more than six years, it is impossible for me to remember individual transactions. My letter books for the whole time I was on duty are I presume in Washington, and I suppose can be referred to. I would again refer the Commission to Capt. Worcester, mentioned in my last letter. Regretting that I have not been able to assist the Commission more fully,

I am, gentlemen, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. T. GARDINER, Major U. S. Army.

Messrs. Talbot, Connor, Sanborn, } Commissioners.

I should be very much obliged to you for a copy of your report, if it should be printed, as I suppose it will be.

APPEN

Abstract from the Testimony of

A.

The following Table, compiled from the testimony of witnesses and Commission, from information received from the War and Navy Depart towns in behalf of which testimony has been taken; names of witnesses names of brokers or recruiting agents who sold the men or credits; num the men or credits; date of enlistment, taken from returns of selectmen to

[NOTE.—The figures in brackets [ ] refer to the

Name of town.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
			Michael M Mulhan		
			John Maxwell		
			Patrick Kearney		
			Richard Missett		
			Robert McKenney	Colby & Pike.	9
			Michael McSuad		
			Joseph Thomas }		
			Bryant Lurrn }		
			William A. Weaver }		
Alna.	Wm. H. Small.	31			
3d District.	(*Was Selectman.*)	[50]	John Robinson		
			George Patterson		
			Charles Deanake		
			John Tucker		
			C P Rowe	T. M. Stevens.	10
			R McMillan		
			Thomas K Norris		
			John Nicholas		
			Robert Williamson		
			George H Davidson		
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			William Weason		
			John Terry		
Andover.	Josiah Bailey.	135	Christopher Lutz	Charles Kimball,	5
2d District.	(*Was Selectman.*)	[83]	John Lynch	*then and now of*	
			William Barry	*Rumford.*	
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DIX E.

Officers and Agents of Towns.

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papers annexed thereto, from the returns of Selectmen to the Naval ments, Washington, D. C., and from other sources—contains names of who testified in behalf of towns; names of men said to have been furnished; ber of men or credits; price paid; classification or branch of service of the Naval Commission, and the data furnished by the Navy Department.

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			Enl. 30 July, '62, at Phila.; disch.	30 July, '66.
			Enl. 16 Jan. '62, at Wash.; disch.	16 Jan. '66.
	Marine		Enl. 8 Aug. '62, at Wash.; disch.	16 Aug. '66; alien.
$4,005	corps *probably.*		Enl. 13 Jan. '63, at Phila.; disch.	13 Jan. '67; alien.
	U. S. colored	troops.		[bursement. Allowed in reim-
	do			do
	D. C. Inf.			do
			[disch. Oct. 13, '67.	
			Enl. at Boston, Oct. 13, '64, for 3 yrs.	Claimed by select-
			Enl. at Boston Nov. 11, '64, for	men as residents,
			[2 yrs.; disch. Aug. 23, '65.	who enlisted on receiving ship
1,750	Navy.			Ohio.
5,755				
			[Dec. '69; 27 June, '62, at Brook	lyn; alien.
			Enl. 12 June, '58, at Wash.; des. 17	
2,375	Marine corps.		Enl. 23 Jan. '58, at Phila.; disch. 18	Nov. '65; alien.
			Enl. 9 Aug. '61, at Brooklyn; disch.	13 Sept. '65; alien.
			Enl. 12 Jan. '58, at Phila.; disch.	26 Apr. '66.
2,375				

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Name of town.	Name of Witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Anson. 3d District.	Albert Moore.	366 [147]	John Kelley Alfred A Thatcher Edwin G Hoyt Patrick Train Andrew W Anderson George W Brown	Pike & Colby.	6 6

Mr. Morse also bought thirteen men of Delany & Co., three of whom were allowed in reim- $7,700 *for the thirteen.*

Athens. 3d District.	Reuben Stodder. S. L. Tobey. *Were Selectmen.*	[52] 38 55 [59]	George K Bartel Wm Williams or Nellus Henry R. Kepp Wm H Adams Thomas McHam Thomas V Darling Chas Myhar James Alexander	Colby & Pike	8
			Two men names unknown. Not given.	D. H. Brown.	2 10
Atkinson. 4th District.	R. A. Snow.	163 [91]	S Spencer Silas Smith E Townsend J J West John Whipple Peter White	S. A. Baker, *then living in Bangor.*	7
*See App. K.	[*no importance* Seth Lee (*evidence of*	*42	J Murphy 3d		7
Auburn. 2d District.	Thomas Littlefield. *Was Selectman.*	99 [71]	John D Hilsman Richard Hurd Richard Hogg Thomas Kelley Breman Keens Jhon Lyons	Benj. Hurd, agent of Colby & Pike.	6 6
Bethel. 2d District. *See App. K.	Israel G. Kimball. *Was Selectman and Agent.*	*371	James C Kelley Michael Boyle John Swallow Alex McPherson Michael Milady John Shea James Dodderville James Dougherty Claudius A Bailey Thomas Stevenson	Herriman, Libby & Co.	14

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			Enl. 21 Oct. '58, at Boston; dwn'd	1 July '61.
			Enl. 18 Aug. '62, at N. Y.; disch.	16 Dec. '65.
2,700	Marine corps *probably.*		Enl. 4 Aug. '63, at N. Y.; now in	[olis, Md.; alien. service at Annap-
			Enl. 23 Feb. '63, at Phila.; disch.	23 Feb. '67.
2,700				

bursement, and ten were disallowed. The ten disallowed were said to have deserted. Paid

			15 Apr. '64 at New York.	
	Probably marine corps,			
3,600	*but said to have been enlisted in the Provinces, &c.*		Enl. Aug. 11 '62, at N. Y.; died	Aug. '66.
			Enl. 1 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn; disch.	1 Sept. '66.
			Enl. 11 Mar. 62, at N. Y.; des.	21 July '64.
			Enl. 16 Dec. '62, at N. Y.; disch.	9 Jan. '67; alien.
850	Probably marine corps.			Mr. Tobey says these two men were allowed in reimbursement.
4,450				
	Navy *or marine corps,*			Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
3,010	*bought of Manley.*		Enl. Boston Dec. 16 '64, 3 years;	disch. Feb. 8 '68.
			Find 11 John Murphys during	'64 and '65.
3,010				
	Probably		Enl. 7 Aug. '63, at Phila.; disch.	18 Sept. '65.
2,700	marine corps.		Enl. 12 Dec. '62, at Cinn'ti; disch	18 July '65.
			Enl. 30 Aug. '61, at Phila.; disch.	20 Aug. '65.
			Enl. 3 Aug. '64, at Portsm'th; des.	19 Mar. '65; alien.
2,700				
	Probably marine corps,		Enl. 10 June, '62, at Phila.; des.	3 Nov. '66.
	Represented to have been procured through an agent at Washington.		Enl 15 Aug. '63, at Chi'go; disch.	29 Feb. '64; alien.
			Enl. 12 June, '62, at Phila.; des.	24 July, '65.
			Enl. 5 Mar. '62, at Phila.; disch.	5 Mar. '66; alien.
6,300			Enl. 25 Mar. '62, at Phila.; disch.	25 Mar. '66.
			Enl. 3 May, '62, at Brooklyn;	disch. 7 Oct. '64.
			Enl. 7 Apr. '62, at Phila.; disch.	28 Oct. '65.

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Name of town.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Bethel, CONTINUED			George Warwick Marshal Given Henry McNally Bernard McGee		
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			H W Anderson George E Beals W H Bishop		
Bingham. 3d District.	Chandler Baker. (*Was Selectman.*)	111 [75]	L Crane J H Collins James Davis J H Moore	T. H. Dinsmore	7
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			Robert Dougherty Enoch Jones Henry Little		
Boothbay. 3 District.	John Montgomery. *Was Ag't of Selectmen.*	*264	John Mayberry Edward Walters William A. Warwick	Watts & Wall.	6
*See App. K.					6
			John Maher Dennis Sullivan Rufus E Wilcox Francis Hamil		
Bowdoinham 2d District.	Josiah Merrow. *Was Selectman.*	*92	Christopher Mullady Robert M Taylor John Droper James Munday	Colby & Pike.	8
*See App. K.					8
			J D Andrews W C Brian (or O'Brian) James Reed F H Smith C F Alvis J Gillespie D Herold C H Davis O N Desmond C Fitzgerald	G. M. Delany.	10
*Bristol. 3d District.	Arnold Blaney. *Was chairman of Selectmen.*	428 [158]	Daniel (or David) Crossman Davis P Smith Charles Michel Charles Morrison William Morton	Pike & Colby.	

* The witness in case of this town was not examined until after the schedules sent to included in those schedules.

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to maval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			24 Feb. '62, at Phila.	
			8 Jan. '62, at Phila.	
			29 Dec. 62, at Phila.; alien.	
			Enl. at Boston June 16, '64, 3 yrs.;	d. June 23, '64.
6,300				
			Hans Anderson, enl. at Boston Oct. [11, '65, R. Apr. 21, '67.	
	Navy.			
$3,010	*Bought of Manley.*			Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
	Probably marine corps.		Enl. 18 Oct. '64, at Phila.; disch.	16, Aug. '66.
			Enl. May 11, '64, for 2 yrs.; disch.	Sept. 6, '65.
3,010				
			Enl. 25 Nov. '62, at N. Y.; disch.	5 Dec. '66; alien.
	Probably		13 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.	
Uncert'n	marine corps		Enl. 14 July, '62, at Boston; disch.	27 July, '66.
Probably	*bought of*		4 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn.	
about	*Pike & Colby*		2 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.	
2,200	Navy.			
2,200				
			Enl. 20 July, '63, at Phila.; disch.	20 May, '66; alien.
			Enl. 9 Oct. '58, at Gosport, Va.; dis.	26 Dec. '66; alien.
			Enl. 10 Dec. '62, at N. Y.; disch. 27 [Oct. '65.	Names of men taken from cert. of
3,600	Marine corps.		Enl. 3 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn; disch [6 March '66.	Pro Mar. 2d Dist.
			Enl. 11 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	11 Dec. '66.
			Enl 26 Nov. '62, at Phila.; disch.	26 Nov. '66.
3,600				
4,500	Navy.			
No recp't				Names of men taken from claim for reimbursement

the War and Navy Departments were prepared, hence the names of the men were not

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Bristol, CONTINUED.			Charles Myers Seth Wood Hugh Carrigan Bernard Gray or Groves F McCullough John Shirley Oliver Wallace Patrick Scanlon	Pike & Colby.	13 23
Chesterville. 2d District. *See App. K.	George L. Riggs.	*394	Not given.	J. H. Manley.	5
	Nathan Redlon.	202 [103]	F L Tobbit (Talbot) C L Stevens Henry Wilson Patrick Berry Robert D Burns William Hudson Edmund Higgins J W Murray	Delany & Yates	8
China. 3d District.	A. H. Abbot.	210 [106]	Charles D Bryant G H S Beckman Henry T Bingham C N Eldridge W Carr Martin J Fallan N F Ford Henry Green D Gibbon George Hixon	Frank Kenrick, Jr	10 18
Concord. 3d District. *See App. K.	Corydon Felker. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	*218	Not given.	G. M. Delany & Co.	5
			Henry Wilhelmi Thomas O Shea Newton H Scarlett Peter Borman John S Brandt James A Caldwell Joseph Dunbar		
Corinna. 4th District.	Robert Knowles. *One of the selectmen.*	107 [73]	Augustus Fornhof Carl Wagner B Franklin Shoemaker	S. C. Archer.	16
	Winckworth S Allen	110 [74]	James J Brown Charles Brinkman James Brown Sebastian Dana Lehman B Fox John Christian Gerst, (Zerst)	No certificate of muster or credit. Names of men taken from a list furnished witness by Gen. Hodsdon.	16

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—*(Continued.)*

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
6,500	Marine corps.			
No recp't				
11,000				
2,000	Not indicated			
		Feb. 17, '62		
		Jan. 4, '62		
		Feb. 10, '62		Claimed by select-
		Jan. 31, '62		men as residents,
1,600	Navy.	Mar. 21, '62		who enlisted on
		Mar. 4, '62		receiving ship
		Mar. 25, '62		Ohio.
		Mar. 28, '62		
	Probably			
4,400	*marine corps.*		Was. enl. Nov. 3, '64, at Boston, for	
	Navy.		[3 yrs.; disch. Oct. 25, '67.	Same names on the
				251 (Manley) list.
			Enl. 4 Oct. '64, at Phila.; disch. 4	
			[Oct. '68.	
6,000				
3,000	Not indicated			Certificate of credit
				from W. H. Fogler,
				Capt. & Inspector.
			Enl. 29 June, '63, at N Y.; disch.	29 June, '67; alien
			14 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.	
			Enl. 22 Dec. '62, at St. Louis; des.	9 Feb. '66.
			Enl. 4 Aug. '63, at Chicago; disch.	18 May, '66; alien
			Enl. 29 July '62, at Phila.; disch.	29 July, '66.
	Bought by Ar-		21 April, '62, at Washington.	Names of men
	cher of Pike &		Enl. 17 Aug. '63; died 6 Dec. '67; alien	taken from a list
7,900	*Colby.*		26 Aug. '63, at Chicago.	furnished by one
	Probably		Enl. 29 Sept. '59; died Sept. '66; alien	of the witnesses.
	Marine corps.		Enl. 31 Oct. '63, at Phila.; died 7	March, '65.
			Enl. 27 Feb. '62, at Brooklyn; disch.	27 Feb. '66.
			Enl. 7 Oct '63, at Chicago; disch	7 Oct. '67.
			Enl. 16 July, '63, at Cairo; in serv. at	—18 Dec. '62, Cin.
			7 Oct. '63, at Chicago.	
			Enl. 8 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. 8	Aug. '66.
			Enl. 17 Aug. '63, at Chicago; des. 6	Nov. '65.
7,900				

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Name of towns.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Cumberland. 1st District.	William L. Prince. *Was one of several agents.*	387 [151]	Not given.	John P. Heath. *No certificates or receipts.*	12 — 12
Damariscotta 3d District.	Albion G. Huston. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	127 [80]	Not given.	G. M. Delany. *No certificate of muster or credit.*	8 — 8
Detroit. 3d District.	S. P. Waterhouse. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	51 [58]	Not given.	Joseph Nye. *Then in the office of the P. M. G. Shf. of Som. Co., & res. at Ken. Ms.*	5 — 5
Dexter. 4th District.	Tristram P. Sawyer. *One of the selectmen.*	114 [76]	Hamilton Williams HenryN (orA) Schmidt James Mullen Henry Morris George Stratton Thomas Quinn Ernest Platz (Pratty) John W. Mattock	Elliot Walker of Newport.	8 — 8
Eddington. 4th District. *See App. K.	George S. Comins. *Was not a party to the trade.*	*422	George McCornell Stephen Moore Daniel Meahan Charles Matthews John Norris James C. Page Ernest Bunlschke	Archer of Bangor, G. P. Cochrane and Daniel T. Pike of Augusta.	7 — 7
Edgecomb. 3d District.	Thos. Cunningham. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	299 [130]	John (George) Carter Thomas Corbit W. C. Cushman Benjamin Hiller J. W. Hunt John McCabe	Delany. *No certificate or receipt filed.*	6 — 6
Embden. 3d District.	John Gray. *Was chairman of Selectmen.*	22 [46]	William H Rice Thomas N Buckley Joseph Barbridge A Guines or Grimes Haley Riley Richard McKenney George Stanton John Ayers Jesse Bruckback Patrick Murphy Wm Troughton Charles P Brown	Pike & Colby.	12

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
1,500	Navy.			
1,500				
480	Navy.			
480				
2,125	Navy.			For names of men see 251 (Manley) list.
2,125				
			Enl. 8 Jan. '63, at Phila.; disch. 7	Aug. '63.
			Enl. 27 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	[10 Jan. '67.
3,710	Marine corps.			Names of men taken from Maj. R. M Littler's certif.
			Enl. 8 June, '63, at Phila.; disch	21 Aug. '65; alien.
			Enl. 17 Feb. '62, at Phila.; disch.	17 Feb. '66; alien.
3,710				
Did not pay for them.			Enl. 12 Nov. '62, at Brooklyn;	disch. 14 Oct. '65.
			Enl. 2 Oct. '62, at Brookl'n; disch.	29 Mar. '65.
			Enl. 30 Ju'y '63; disch. 1 Aug. '67; al'n	Names of men taken from Capt. Bailey's certific'e.
The price agreed upon was $475 per man.	Marine corps.		Enl. 21 Apr. '62; disch. 9 Oct. '64; al'n.	
		Dec. 11, '63		Claimed by Selectmen as residents who enl. on R.S.O.
		Apr. 3, '63.	Enl. Apr. 3, '63; des. June 25, '63.	
		Feb. 26.		
1,400	Navy.	Jan. 16, '62		Names of men taken from testimony of witness.
		Mar. 9, '63.	Jno. W., enl. Mar. 7, '63.	
		Jan. 27, '62		
1,400				
			Enl. 23 June, '54, at N. Y.; disch.	20 June, '66.
			23 May, '63, at Philadelphia.	
			8 Jan. '63, at Phila.; alien.	
5,400	*Probably* marine corps		Enl. 2 Jan. '62, at Brookl'n; dish	5 June, '69; alien.
			Enl. 29 Jan. '62, at Phila.; disch.	6 July, '68.
			Enl. 14 Aug. '61, at Phila.; in ser	vice at——; alien.
			Enl. 12 Jan. '58, at Phila.; disch.	6 Feb. '66.

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	William Atkinson.	2 [342]	*Two men, names* not known.	Delany & Co. *Cert. of J. W. Spaulding, Capt. and Inspector.*	2
					14
			William E Alardt		
			Thomas Fulton.		
			James L Ward		
Fairfield. 3d District.	Alb't N. Greenwood. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	120 [78]	Joseph Stokle Daniel Carr Stephen Dempsey Joseph Frantas Andrew Caffrey	Joseph F. Nye and Francis Kenrick.	8
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Joseph F. Nye, of whom some of the men or credits were bought, and who receipted for some District.

			John Farrington		
			Barnard Kelley		
			John Mullen		
	Micah Stockbridge. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	103 [72]	Nicholas Murphy Patrick O'Connor Robert S Steele Peter F Wilson	John P. Heath. *No certificate.*	7
Freeport. 1st District.			D B Fox		
			W Fish		
			C Garsidea or Gardiner		
			S M Knight		
		199	Geo A Knapp	J. P. Deering & Co.	10
	N. O. True. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	[102]	F Lefeck John Lawrence A J Lapham Elijah W Randall J K Rods		
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			James Andres		
			M S West		
			John J Smith		
	Robert Geyer.	83	George E Phinney		
	Was one of the Selectmen.	[67]	TMellen Jas McCarty N Holburdon E B Howard	J. P. Deering & Co.	8
Friendship. 3d District.			3 *men, names not given.*	Town officers of Waldoboro' who had them of A. B. Farwell.	3
			Edward Aiken		
			Thomas Burnston		
			John H Carlton	Thomas M. Stevens *of Pittston. No certificate.*	9
		83	Thomas H Long		
	Robert Geyer,	[67]	Richard N Morgan		
	Nelson Thompson.	124	William R Percival		

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
1,200	Not indicat'd.			
6,600				
			Enl. 26 May, '62, at Phila.; disch. 28 Aug. '63, at Phila.	13 Feb. '63.
3,720	*Not indicated. Probably* marine corps.		Enl. 27 Aug. '62; disch. 20 Sept. '66. Enl. 3 Apr. '62; disch. 3 Apr. '66.	Names of men taken from certificate of Commis'ner of Enrollment, 3d District.
3,720				

of the money, is represented by the witness as having been Deputy Provost Marshal of the 3d

			Enl. Mar. 10 '64, at Boston for 1 yr.; des. May 26 '64. Enl. July 1 '64, at Boston, for 3 yrs.; disch. June 29 '67.	Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on the Ohio. Names of men taken from a list furnished by witness.
1,050 *Receipt from Heath.*	Navy.			
	Navy.			Names of men taken from Maj. Littler's certificate. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
4,500 *Receipt from J. P. D. & Co.*	*Not indicated. Probably marine corps.*		Enl. Boston Nov. 18 '65; failed to	[ter enlistm't. report on R, S. af-
			Enl. at Provid'ce Aug. 3, '64, 2 yrs;	disch. Aug. 5 '66.
5,550				
	Navy.		[disch. Feb. 28 '67. Enl. Boston Mar. 1 '64, 3 years;	Names of men taken from Maj. Littler's certificate.
3,520 *Receipt from J. P. D. & Co.*	*Not indicated. Probably marine corps.*			Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
1,800	Not indicat'd.			See names on the 251 (Manley) list.
		Feb. 10 '64 Mar. 21 '64.		Names of men taken from claim for
950	Navy.	Dec. 21 '63 Apr. 1 '64. Mar. 23 '64. Mar. 21 '64.	Enl. Dec. 2 '63; disch. Jan. 23 '64. Een. Apr. 1 '64; disch. Apr. 15 '65.	reimbursem't and compa'd with those allowed by Naval Commission.

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Name of town.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Friendship. CONTINUED.		[79]	Harold A Ranpack James W Smith John Williams		20

Mr. Geyer testifies of two other men bought of Deering & Co., one by himself for $400, *and from an examination of Friendship's claim for reimbursement, that both were allowed.*

Greene. 2d District.	Augustus Sprague. *Was town treasurer.*	176 [96]	Not given.	A. B. Farwell.	2 2
Greenville. 4th District.	M. G. Shaw. *Was selectman and agent.*	180 [97]	Not given.	Sumner Barton *of Augusta. No cert.*	3 3
Greenwood. 2d District.	Willard Herrick. William Richardson. *Selectmen.*	230 [111] 235 [113]	John Evans William E Jones John Williams Hugh Daily David Shine John Turrell or Tirrell Dominick Corbett John McLaughlin James A. Rose E. A. Hill	O. K. Yates, *then of Greenwood now of Portland. No certifi. or receipt filed.*	10 10
Hallowell. 3d District.	Ariel Wall. *Was Alderman.*	148 [87]	John Ray Jos M Terry J Pond Peter Daly D F Barry	J. P. Deering & Co.	5 5
Harmony. 3d District.	Joseph A. Magoon. *One of the selectmen.*	64 [62]	J A Wentworth John S Bond Antoine Felix James Norton Leavitt Thaxter Jas H Knox Samuel Dutch Herod Dexter W Eldridge Jas Columbus	T. H. Dinsmore.	10 10

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
		Jan. 6 '64.		Claimed by select-
		Mar. 20 '63.		men as residents,
		Jan. 5 '64.	Enl. Jan. 5 '64; disch. Jan. 30 '65.	who enlisted on
6,270				receiving ship Ohio.

one by Oscar E. Hoffses for $500, *but had no names for either of them; and I am satisfied,*

600	Navy.			
R'pt from Mrs. Farwell for $550.	*Gen. credits—see copy statement of Gen. Hodsdon.*			
600				
1,200	Not indicated			
R'pt from Barton.	*but probably Pike & Colby men.*			
1,200				
			Enl. at Boston, Jan. 22, '64; deser.	during 4th qr. '64.
			Enl. at Boston, Jan. 22, '64; disch.	March 4, '65.
			Find 32 John Williams during '64	and '65.
			Enl. Jan. 8, '64, at Boston, 1 year;	Claimed by Select-
800	Navy.		[disch. Aug. 17, '65.	men as residents
			Enl. at Boston, Feb. 6, '64, for 1 yr.	who enlisted on
			[disch. Feb. 21, '65.	receiv. ship Ohio.
			Enl. at Bost. Feb. 12, '64 for 3 yr.	disch. Mar 29, '67.
			" " " Jan. 31, '65, " "	disch. Feb. 8, '68.
			Edward A., enl. at Boston, Feb. 16,	'64, for 2 yrs.
800				
			Enl. at Prov'nce, Aug. 26, '64, 1 yr.	disch. Aug. 2, '65.
			" " Kittery, Dec. 9, '64, 3 yrs.	
2,150	Navy.			Names of men ta-
R'pt from J.P D. & Co.	*Not indicated, but probably marine corps.*			ken from certifi. of Maj. Littler. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
2,150				
			Jacob C., enl. at Portsmouth, N. H.	Aug. 16, '64.
	Navy.		Enl. Feb. 27, '64, at Boston, 1 year;	disch. Mar. 7, '65.
4,500	*Not indicated,*			
Receipt of Dinsmore	*probably marine corps.*		Jos. H., enl. at Boston, May 18, '64,	Names of men ta-
			[1 yr.; disch. May 27, '65.	ken from certifi. of Maj Littler. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
4,500				

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			William Thompson		
			J W Tucker		
			William Connelly		
			Patrick McLane or McCaun		
			A McNichol or McMichol		
			Dennis Sullivan		
Hartford. 2d District.	Joseph S. Mendall. *Was selectman and agent.*	70 [63]	Isaac Totten	O. K. Yates.	13
			Charles Thornton		
			A Melvine		
			A Clenderine (Clendenin?)		
			G Purrity		
			John Keefe		
			J Battiste		
					13
Jefferson. 3d District.	Artell Hall, *of Newcastle. Was selectman of Jefferson.*	343 [141]	Not given.	Delany & Yates. *No certificate.*	12
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			C H Myers		
			N T McDonald		
			Thos McKinley		
			E H Nash		
			A H Nichols		
			F Parker		
			M G Pray		
			John Pond		
			E Pies		
Lebanon. 1st District.	William Emery. *Was one of a committee.*	167 [92]	J F Roach	A. D. Merrow.	20
			John Raynes		
			J A Silver		
			Julius Stone		
			Samuel G Tucker		
			George F Taylor		
			John Ward or Waid		
			S Wilbur		
			M Williams		
			D Callum		
			Timothy McDonald		
					20
			John T Smith		
			Patrick O Brien		
Leeds. 2d District.	Benjamin Turner. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	*384	John C Brown	Herriman, Libby & Co.	5
			Patrick Cummings		
			Thomas B Forgan		
*See App. K.					5

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commsi'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
		Feb. 9, '62.	Enl. Feb. 9, '62, at Boston.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler. Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiv.-ship Ohio.
		Feb. 14, '62.		
		Apr. 7, '62.		
		Feb. 7, '62.		
		Dec. 20, '62.		
		Apr. 13, '62.	Enl. May 13, '62; disch. July 12, '62	
4,250	Navy.	Mar. 2, '62.		
No rec'pt filed.		Feb. 6, '62.		Names of men taken from testimony of witness. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
4,250				
4,600 *Receipt of Delany & Yates.*	Navy.			
4,600				
10,200 *Receipt of A. D. M. for a part only.*	Navy. *Probably marine corps, as witness testifies that A D M. bought of Manley.*		Enl. at Boston, Aug. 8, '64 for 3 yrs. [disch. Sept. 17, '64. There were 4 John Wards enlisted [during 1864; no Jno. Waid.	Names of men taken from a certificate of Charles H. Doughty, Pro. M. 1st Dist. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
10,200				
			Enl. 15 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch.	15 Aug. '66.
			Enl. 8 Aug '62, at Brooklyn; disc.	10 Sept. '64.
2,250 *No receipt*	Marine corps.		Enl. 4 Jan. '62, Phil.; disc. 14 Jan. '66	Names of men taken from certif. of *Nahum Morrill*, Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
			Enl. 15 June '63, at Bost.; disch. [15 June '67.	
			16 Sept. '61, at Akron, O.; alien	
2,250				

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			John A Burke		
			William Moore		
			Thomas Mehan		
			Michael Mulloy		
			William Roach		
			James Brady		
			James B Crawse		
			William Cowan		
			James C Page		
			Robert Knox		
			Philander M More		
			John Carroll		
Lewiston.	Jacob B. Ham.	*184	Might Curlow	Daniel T. Pike.	25
2d District.	*Was Mayor.*		John Graves	No certificate.	
			Benjamin Henecy		
			Hiram Wayne		
			James Bradley		
*See App. K.			Lewis Vansschayer		
			Jacob Hollenberger		
			George W Whaler or Wheeler		
			John Vickery		
			Frederick Andrew		
			James Clark		
			John Finnigan		
			August Guathart		
					25
			Joseph McLaughlin		
			John B Morgan		
			Perry Stantus		
			George W Harris		
Lisbon.	Horace C. White.	*357	William H Potts	Herriman, Libby &	10
2d District.	*Was one of the select-men, and one of three agents.*		Andrew Tibbett	Co.	
			Henry Foye		
			John A Eichel		
			George W Neville		
*See App. K.			Augustus Greene		
					10
			William Douglass		
			John A Lucas		
			Virginious Moulton		
Litchfield.	John Woodbury.	193	Daniel Bell	James Colby or	8
3d District.	*Was one of the select-men.*	[100]	Patrick Smith	Pike & Colby.	
			John Quincy or Gainey		
			Charles Kimmerell		
			Joseph McAllister		
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AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			Enl. 15 Aug.'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	20 Oct. '65.
			Enl. 9 Sept.'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	14 Dec. '65.
			Enl. 7 Aug.'62, at Brooklyn; deser.	21 Sept. '65.
			Enl. 23 Aug.'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	5 Oct. '62.
			Enl. 3 Sept.'62, at Brooklyn; deser.	21 Oct. '65.
			Enl. 22 May, '62, at Phila.; disch	5 July, '66.
			26 Oct. '63, at Washington; alien.	
			Enl. 18 May, '63, at Wash.; deser.	12 July, '65.
			Enl. 30 Jan. '63, at Phila.; disch.	10 Sept.'64; alien.
	Marine corps.			
11,250	*Not indicated, but supposed to*		Enl. 2 Aug.'62, at Brooklyn; des. 30 Sept. '62, at Phila.	18 Nov. '62.
No receipt	*have been in the marine corps.*		22 July, '62, at Phila.	Names of men taken from a list furnished by witness.
			Enl. 22 May '62, at Phila.; disch. [5 July, '65.	
			26 April, '6 2, at Philda.	
			Enl. 11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch.	17 Aug. '66; alien.
			Enl. 26, Oct. '63, at Phila.; disch.	26 Oct. '67; alien.
			Enl. 1 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch.	10 Sept. '64.
			Enl. 12 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch.	11 Sept. '64; alien
			18 Nov. '62, at Phila.	
11,250				
			Enl 6 Jan.'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	13 Jan. '66; alien.
			Enl. 11 Sept. '62, at Wash.; deser.	22 Oct. '66; alien.
			Enl. 8 May, '55, at Wash.; disch.	29 June, '67.
4,500	Marine corps.		Enl. 13 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn;	disch. 7 Feb. '67.
Receipt of H. L. & Co.			[12 Feb.'67; 12 Feb.'63, at Phila.	Names of men taken from certifi. of *Nahum Morrill*, Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
			Enl. 12 Feb.'63, at Brooklyn; disch	
			En. 20 May'63, Phil.; disc. 20 May'67	
			Enl. 24 Aug. '63, at Wash.; disch.	24 Aug. '67.
4,500				
2,600	Navy.			Names of men taken from certifi. of *Jos. T. Woodward*, commissioner of enrollment, 3d District.
R't of Colby for these with others	Marine corps.		[26 July, '65.	
			Enl. 26 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch.	
2,600				

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Litchfield. CONTINUED.			Joseph Canata		
			Henry Currell		
			Augustus Dixinson		
			Charles L Floury		
	Thomas Holmes.	188	James Frazier	G. M. Delany.	10
		[98]	Edward Gragore	*No certifi. of muster or credit.*	
	John Woodbury.	193	Costellow D Mason		
	Were Selectmen.	[100]	John McCarty		
			Osten D Shelden		
			Alphonso Wilcox		
					18
			Edward Henry		
			William Lacy		
			O. Weld Thatcher		
			Barney Silverman		
Livermore.	Orison Rollins.	131	William Burk	A. Herriman.	10
2d District.	*Was one of the select-men.*	[82]	John L Likens		
			John O Toole (Poole)		
			Alfred Wade		
			Colin Campbell		
			William Durgin		
					10
			J Benson		
			J Bennett		
			J Carry (Carey or Cavaly)		
Manchester.	Sullivan Kilbreth.	349	Hugh Dunford	G. M. Delany.	7
3d District.	*Was one of the select-men.*	[143]	M B Daily		
			Peter Fallon		
			T J Lenard (Leonard)		
					7
			William Anderson		
			Joel Brewer		
			James Bright		
			J Curran		
			S F Chaplin or Claphlin		
Mercer.	S. B. Walton.	95	John Dameron	A. B. Farwell.	12
3d District.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*	[70]	Josiah Ellett	*No certificate.*	
			Edward Freeman		
			Octavies Gurney		
			Joseph H Hilton		
			Walter W Ingalls		
			Patrick McGowen		
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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
				Names of men taken from a list furnished by one of the witnesses.
1,000 *Receipt of G. M. D.*	Navy.		Enl. at Boston, Feb. 16, '64, for 1 yr.; [disch. March 12, '65.	Claimed by select men as residents who enlisted on receivn'g-ship Ohio.
			Enl. at Boston, July 21, '64, 3 yrs. " " " Jan. 21, '65, 2 yrs.	deser. Aug. 14, '65.
			Enl. at Boston, Feb. 23, '64, 2 yrs.;	disch. Apr. 2, '66.
3,6000				
			Enl. 11 May, '63, at Phila.; disch.	23 Feb. '68.
			Enl. 1 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch. 1	Sept. '66.
			Enl. 24 Aug. '63, at Phila.; disch.	24 Aug. '67.
			Enl. 8 Oct. '63, at N. Y.; disch. 1	Feb. '65.
4,500 *No receipt*	Marine corps.		11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.	
			En. 13 Aug. '62, Ph.; dis. 13 Aug. '66.	Names of men taken from certifi. of *Nahum Morrill*, Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
			En. 29 July, '63, Ph.; dis. 29 July, '67	
			En. 24 Aug. '63, Ph.; des. 13 Apr. '65.	
			Enl. 21 Oct. '63, at Phila.; disch. [20 Jan. '68; alien.	
4,500				
		Ap. 21, '62.		
		Mar. 26, '62		
		Jan. 6, '62.	Jas. Carey, Jan. 6, '62; des. July 2, '62	Names of men taken from testimo'y of witness. Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiv'ng ship Ohio.
2,100 *R't of Delany cont. names.*	Navy.	Dec. 27, '62. Sept. 24, '62 Feb. 10, '62. Apr. 9, '62.	Enl. Dec. 27, '62.	
2,100				
			Enl. at Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 15 '64; des. Oct. 2 '64.	Names of men taken from the record of naval credits allowed by Naval Commission.
			Jurran enl. at Boston Apr. 22 '64, for 1 year; disch. May 3 '65.	Claimed by Selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
4,800 *No receipt.*	Navy.		[yrs.; disch. July 23 '67.	
			Enl. at Boston July 21 '64, for 3	
			Enl. at Portland, Me., Sept 1 '64; 1 year.	
4,800				

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			John Forward		
Mexico.	John Larabee.	267	Henry N Thompson	Herriman, Libby &	4
2d District.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*	[121]	Henry Jefery	Co.	
			Philip Wright		
			6 *men, names not given.*	G. M. Delany & Co. *No certific'e; 5 names on Naval Com. Book.*	6
					10
Monmouth.	Ambrose Beal.	78	Not given.	J. H. Manley.	6
3d District.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*	[65]		*Letter or cert. of Gen. Hodsdon.*	
					6
	Aaron S. Lyford.	58	Patrick Williams		
Mt. Vernon.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*	[60]	James Gallagher	I. W. Reed.	4
3d District.		*62	Henry Brown	*Naval man from 251 list.*	
	James R. Marston.				
	One of the Selectmen.		Levins L. Goldy		
*See App. K.			E L Barnes	Not known.	1
					5
			Wm H Delaney		
			Wm Noble		
			Wm Jordan		
			Charles J Wall		
			Jacob F Mentser		
			Lawrence Hickey		
			Samuel McNeil		
			David Jones		
			George Wise		
Newport.	Elisha W. Shaw.	144	Robert Egman	Deering & Co. (Hill.)	20
4th District.	Elliot Walker.	[86]	Charles H Gillett	*Names of men taken from Littler's cert., in which he says "the following enl. men of the U. S. mar. corps, ordered by the Pro. Mar. Gen. to be credited to the State of Me. are credited for 3 yrs. to the town of Newport, 4th District of Maine."*	
	Were members of a Com. of three.	155	John H Valiant		
		[89]	John A Peoples		
			Isaac Irwins		
			Patrick Kenney		
			Patrick J Brien		
			Michael Riley		
			Reinkardt Zimmerman		
			William Fondel		
			James G Jones		
	Geo. W. Whiting.	*67		S. C. Archer, who	2
			Samuel D Sharp	bought of Pike &	
*See App. K.			William Woods	Colby.	
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Names taken from receipt signed by Pike & Colby and S. C. Archer, and containing 10 *names,*

† *As appears from*

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			Enl. 28 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn; dis.	24 Sept. '66; alien.
1,800	Marine.		21 July '63, at Phila.; alien.	
Receipt of H. S. & Co.	corps.		Enl. 24 July '63 at Phila.; disch.	24 July '67; alien.
			Enl. 1 June '63, at Phila.; disch.	1 June, '67.
3,000	Navy.			Names of men taken from cert. of Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
4,800				
3,000 *Receipt of Manley.*	Represented to be naval.			
3,000				
	Not indicated,		Enl. 26 Jan. '63 at Washington; disch	16 Sept. '67; alien.
1,760	*but probably* marine corps.		Enl. 15 Oct. '63, at Phila.; des. 24	Dec. '65; alien.
			Enl. 14 Mar. '63, at Washington;	disch. 25 Aug. '64.
			16 Apr. '63, Ports., N. H.; alien.	
			27 Aug. '63, at Phila.	
†450	Navy; *unknown.*			Same name on the 251 (Manley) list.
2,210				
			15 Oct. '63, at Phila.	
			Enl. 21 Sept. '58, at Phila.; disch.	22 Oct. '66; alien.
			22 Oct. '62, at Phila.	
			Enl. 9 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch.	9 Sept. '66.
			Enl. 11 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	29 Mar. '65.
			Enl. 15 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch.	28 Mar. '67.
			Enl. 16 Jan. '63, at Wash.; disch.	31 Mar. '67; alien.
			Enl. 16 Feb. '63, at Wash.; disch	31 Mar. '67; alien.
			Enl. 9, Oct. '63, at Phila.; deser.	1 Oct. '64.
			Enl. 3 Jan. '63, at Phila.; deser.	15 Dec. '64.
8,800	Marine corps.			
No rec't.			Enl. 21 Oct. '62, at Phila; disch.	22 June, 65.
			Enl. 11 Oct. '62, at Phila.; disch.	31 Mar. 67.
			Enl. 9 June, 63, at N. Y.; disch.	15 Jan. 66.
			7 Feb. 62, at New York; alien.	
			18 April, '62, at Washington.	
			Enl. 28 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn; dis.	12 Sept. '62.
			Enl. 9 June, '62, at Brooklyn; disch.	
			[9 June, 66.	Names of men taken from receipt signed by Pike & Colby and S. C. Archer.
830	Marine corps.		[28 Aug. 66.	
			Enl. 27 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch.	
			Enl. 13 Feb. 58, at Phila.; disch.	
9,630			[8 March, 66.	

but 8 of them were transferred to Dexter. Receipt is for $4,150.

claim for reimbursement.

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New Portland 3d District.	Warren P. Dyer. *Was Agent.*	239 [114]	Not given. *Cert. of credit from A. K. Dennison, Clerk in charge of credits.*	Colby & Pike.	16 16
Nobleboro'. 3d District. *See App. K.	James Mulligan.* *Was one of the Selectmen.*	296	F Wilson. P B Whittemore L N Blake Thomas Hammond A Hodges George W Hathaway John A Morgan J McLellen Wm E Peck H A Lane	J. P. Deering & Co.	10 10
Norridgew'k. 3d District.	Horatio N. Page. *Was chairman of Selectmen.*	206 [104]	Francis Allen John Aral Robert M Blair James Casey Dennis Desmond Charles E Edwards Thomas Fogg Patrick Gillen Albert Haley Daniel Heald Henry Johnson Andrew Yates	A. B. Farwell. *Letter from Gen. Hodsdon to Col. Farwell. No certificate.*	12
			Joseph W Maxcy John Murphy	T. H. Dinsmore.	2 14
No. Berwick. 1st District.	Haven A. Butler. *Was one of a Committee.*	227 [111]	A C Lewis John Horne George Gilmore or Gilman Lewis A Horton	T. H. Hubbard.	4 4

Official and semi-official papers show that the men in this case were allowed for three years were allowed for one year only) and that they shipped at Charlestown, Mass.

Palermo. 5th District.	O. C. Greely. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	273 [123]	Not given, *but it would seem that they were* 15 *of the* 17 *allowed by the Naval Commissioners.*	Josiah H. Greely. *No certificate.*	15 15

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4,880 *Receipt of C. & P.*	Marine corps.			
4,880			Find 5 F. Wilsons during '64 & '65.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler.
4,100 *No receipt*	Navy. *Not indicated, probably marine corps.*			Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
4,100				
			[dis. Aug. 27, '65.	Names of men taken from a list furnished by witness.
			Enl. at Portland June 1, '64, 2 yrs.; Enl. at Boston July 12, '64, 3 yrs.; [des. Sept. 2, '65.	Claimed by selectmen as residents, who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
6,000 *Receipt of A. B. F.*	Navy.			
			[19 June, '63.	Names of men taken from cert. of
1,000 *No receipt*	Navy. *Not indicated.*		Enl. 23 May '63, at N. Y.; des.	Pro. Mar. 3d Dist. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
7,000				
2,000 *Hubbard rec't for these with others.*	Navy.			Names of men taken from certtificate of Pro. Mar. 1st Dist. Claimed by selectmen as residents, who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
2,000				

(*which was unusual for "Naval Commission men," as it is generally understood that such*

3,000 *No receipt*	Navy.			
3,000				

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			William Townsend	*The following is copied from certificate of A. P. Davis: "I certify that the following enlisted men of the U. S. marine corps, ordered credited to the State of Maine by the Provost Mar. Gen., have been credited to the town of Palmyra of this District."*	
			Samuel Newsome		
			William I Moore		
			Andrew J Fonlins		
			Charles Brother		
			Edmund Cole		
Palmyra.	Samuel Clement.	48	John Graham		
3d District.	*Was and is one of the Selectmen.*	[56]	David Williams	Pike & Colby.	14
			James L Beck		
			Henry Schaeffer	*Two certificates contain'g the same names, one from A. P. Davis and the other from Jos. T. Woodward.*	
			Martin Marion		
			George W Bickford		
			Dennis Foley		
			Edwin Huggett (Hagget?)		
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			James Mayhew		
			George W Stanley		
			Sylvester Robinson		
			Thomas Gray		
Parsonsfield.	John Brackett, 2d.	291	John McCoffee	T. H. Hubbard.	10
1st District.	*Was one of the agents*	[128]	Charles Perkins	John N. Stimson.	
			Bryan McDermott		
			Joseph Miller		
			Stephen Brenan (Branan)		
			John Flowers		
					10
			John Noonan *or Nooner* or Newman		
			William O Brien		
			Andrew C Dowd		
			Michael O Connor		
			John F. Peterman		
Phillips.	Benjamin Turner.	*221	Bernard Smith	Herriman, Libby & Co., guaranteed by Colby & Pike.	12
2d District.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*		Thomas Stewart		
*See App. K.			William Walsh		
			William Simmons		
			Bernard Schroegan		
			William D Mills		
			John R Franklin		
					12
Phipsburg.	F. J. Parks.	214	Not known.	Colby & Pike.	10
2d District.	*Was one of the Selectmen.*	[108]		*No cert. or receipt.*	
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			Enl. 29 Jan. '62, at Phila.; disch.	29 Jan. '66.
			Enl. 22 July '62, at Phila.; disch.	27 July, 66; alien.
			10 Aug. 63, at Phila.; alien.	
			Enl. 13 Oct. 62, at N. Y.; dis. 21 Oct. '65	Names of men taken from cert. of Provost Mar. 3d District.
			Enl. 1 Oct. 63, at Phila.; des. [Jan. '65; alien.	
6,300 *Receipt of P. & C.*	Marine corps.		Enl. 20 Apr. 63, at Indianapolis; [died 10 Oct. '63.	
			Enl. 13 July 63, at Phila.; disch.	16 Aug. '67.
			Enl. 25 Sept. '63, at N. Y.; disch.	25 Sept. 67.
			Enl. 25 Sept. 63, at N. Y.; disch.	25 Sept. '67; alien.
6,300				
				Names of men taken from cert. of Provost Mar. 1st District, crediting the men for 3 yrs.
4,800 *Receipt of Stimson.*	Navy.			Claimed by Selectmen as residents who enl. on R.S.O.
4,800				
			Enl. 21 Sept. 63, at Chicago; dis.	21 Sept. '67.
			Enl. 21 Mar. '62, at Phila.; des. [22 Aug. '66.	30 May '65.
			Enl. 30 July '62, at Phila.; disch.	
			Enl. 21 Sept. '63 at Chicago; dis. 21	Sept. '67.
			Enl. 22 Aug. 63, at Chicago; dis.	22 Aug. '67.
			Enl. 26 July '62 at Phila.; dis. 27	July' 66; alien,
5,400 *Receipt of H. L. & Co.*	Marine corps.		Enl. 30 Jan. '63, at Phila.; disch.	30 Jan. '67.
			Enl. 22 Aug. '63, at Chicago; dis.	22 Aug. '67.
			18 Sept. '61, at Phila.	Names of men taken from cert. of
			Enl. 22 June '63, at Phila.; des. [17 Nov. '64.	Provost Mar, 1st District.
5,400				
4,400	Not indicated *but of course marine corps.*			
4,400				

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			Jos. or Jas. Andre		
			J. Burns		
			John Bryan		
			W R Carey		
			W H Case		
			M O Dennett		
Pittsfield.	H. B. Connor.	253	Geo S Davis	D H Brown of Clinton	13
3d District.	*Was one of the select-men.*	[118]	J Evans		
			E Faithful		
			G Goldsmith		
			J S Hemar		
			Patrick Keene		
			J D Lefton or Sefton		
					13
			William L Hodsdon		
			Joseph W Cushman		
			Charles Turner		
			Charles Vanshdick		
Pittston.	A. H. Clark.	398	George Roman	Thomas M. Stevens,	7
3d District.		[152]	J R Briggs	then of Pittston.	
			Anthony Farring	*No cert. Only a portion of them are cred. Pittston by Nav. Com. book.*	
			Five men, names not given.	G. P. Cochrane. *No certificate.*	5
					12
Pleasant R. pl	Levi Andrews,	*391	Not given.	T. H. Dinsmore.	2
3d District.	*testifies that his son, Horatio, who is dead, was agent.*		*Names on the* 251 *list.*	*No certificate or receipt*	
*See App. K.					2
			Tom E McGrath		
			S H Mandeville		
			W Williams		
			A Silva		
			W Duggan		
			D H Brown		
Porter.	Moses S. Moulton.	411	H D Martin	Delany & Yates	14
2d District.	*Was one of a committee.*	[156]	W Galliger	*No certificate.*	
			J Nelson		
			Stephen Wentworth		
			William Wilson		
			Ed Cockson		
			W Hart		
			H A Newcomb		14

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			James, enl. at Bost., Apr. 18,'64, 1 yr; dis. Ap. 24,'65 James, " " " July 7,'64, 3 yrs.; R. Aug. 9,'64 Enl. at Boston, June 28,'64, for 3 yr.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler.
5,850	Navy.			
Receipt of Brown for this with pay for 3 more.	*Not indicated, but probably marine corps. Bog't of Pike.*		James, enl. Bost. Mar. 9,'65, 3 yrs; des. Mar. 25,'66. Jas., Jr., enl. Port. Aug. 30,'64, 1 yr.; dis. Aug. 5,'65 James, Nov. 9,'64, at Bost.; deser. May 18, '65.	Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
5,850				
				Names of men taken from testimony of witness.
1,100	Navy.			Claimed by Selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiv. ship Ohio.
No receipt				
	Not indicated, but probably			The town claimed reimbursement for ten men in the marine corps.
2,250	marine corps.			
No receipt				*Gen. Hodsdon was Att'y to pros. claim.*
3,350				
835	Navy.			See names on the 251 (Manley) list.
	Not indicated.			
835				
			Wm. enl. Sept. 7,'64, at Port., 3 yrs.; disch. Feb. 5,'68.	
			Amanuel, enl. Sept. 12,'64, at Portsmouth, N.H., 3 yrs.; des. June 20,'65.	
			Enl. at Boston, Aug. 9,'65, 3 yrs.; disch. Aug. 11,'68.	
5,600	Navy.			Names of men taken from selectmen's return to naval commission, in which they are claimed as residents who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
No receipt				
			Find 5 J. Nelsons during '64 & '65.	
			Enl. at Portland, May 26,'64, 1 yr.; disch. May 27,'65.	
			Find 4 Wm. Wilsons during '64 & '65	
5,600				

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Name of towns.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Readfield. 3d District.	Elisha S. Case. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	*442	Not given.	J. H. Manley.	6
			Not given.	Colby & Pike.	8
*See App. K.					14
Richmond. 2d District.	James Carney. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	*68	Peter F. Binges Malcolm Leach Benj D Morgan	Colby and Delany. *No cert. giving names.*	4
	T. J. Southard. *Was Commissioner.*	*416	John S Scott	*Statement of Gen'l Hodsdon that quota was full.*	
*See App. K.					4

There is not much information afforded by the testimony of either of these witnesses, neither named are not all of their "Paper men."—A. C. WALKER.

			James Sharry		
Rumford. 2d District.	P. M. Putnam, *Is one of the selectmen. C. A. Kimball, whose affidavit is filed, negotiated.*	*	Patrick Coughlin Edward Carvin Frank Howard James M Pierce Samuel W. Brewer Wm W Warren	Herriman, Libby & Co. *Two certificates of Nahum Morrill, from which names of men were taken.*	8
*See App. K.			John S Gross		8
Salem. 2d District.	John Richards. *Was one of 2 agents.*	*237	Thomas Clifford Augustus R Case David Connell Joseph A Clark	Herriman, Libby & Co.	4
					4
Sanford. 1st District.	Affidavit of Geo. A. Frost.	*376½	Not given. *Certifi. of W. H. Fogler, Capt. & Inspector.*	Manley. *No receipt.*	4
*See App. K.					4
Scarboro'. 1st District.	Horatio Hight.	*374	Not given.	Not given.	12
*See App. K.					12

No definite information in this case, as the agent on the part of the town is dead, but he probably $100 *each, disallowed by Com. E. M. W. Debts.*—A. C. WALKER.

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
3,400 *Receipt of Manley.*				
3,000 *Receipt of C. & P.*	Not indicated			
6,400				
		Apr. 10, '62.		
		Feb. 20 —		
1,200	Navy.	Feb. 27, '62		
No receipt				Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
		Feb. 10, '64.		
1,200				

do I find much definite information otherwhere relative to this matter. Probably the four above-

			Enl. 3 Jan. '62, at Phila.; disch. 3 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn.	1 May, '65.
			17 Feb. '62, at Brooklyn.	
			Enl. 6 July, '63, at Phila.; deserted	4 Sept. '65; alien.
3,400	Marine		Enl. 30 Jan. '62, at Boston; disch. [4 June, '62	Names of men taken from certif.
No receipt	corps.		En. 11 July, '63, Phil.; des. 20 Jan. '66	of Pro. Mar. 2d
			En. 5 Oct. '63, Wash.; disch. 4 Mar. '70	District.
3,400			Enl. 26 Aug. '62, at Wash.; deser. 4 Sept. '63, at Phila.	16 Feb. '63.
			Enl. 15 Oct. '58, at Bost.; disch. 28	Mar. '68 alien.
1,800	Marine		Enl. 29 Aug. '62 at Brooklyn; dis.	9 Sept. '66.
Receipt of H. L. & Co.	corps		Enl. 2 Sept. '63 at Portsmouth; in	serv. at Hd. Qus.
			Enl. 11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. [22 Aug. '66.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
1,800				
1,600	Not indicated			
1,600				
1,200	Navy.			
1,200				

bought 12 *men of Heath for* $100 *apiece, and got them allowed by Naval Com.*—12 *navy men*

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			Patrick Harkins		
			James Jenkins		
			John D Andrews		
			Tisdale Atwood		
			Joseph Andrews		
			Patrick Dougherty		
			Peter Gallighan	A. B. Farwell.	14
			Aaron Gwine	*Names of men taken*	
			John Keefe	*from my copy of a list*	
				supposed to have been	
				furnished by A. B.	
			William H Lowd	*Farwell to witness.—*	
			James McKay	*A. C. Walker.*	
Sidney.	Wm. A. Shaw,*	44	John McKane		
3d District.		[55]	John H Ward		
	James Shearman.*	353	John Kelley		
	Were Selectmen.	[144]			
			Patrick Milan		
			James Smith		
			Charles E Simmons	Colby & Pike.	10
			Robert Bennett	*Names of men taken*	
			William Campbe	*from certifi. of Jos. T.*	
			Daniel McDonald	*Woodward, approved*	
			Edward Stopher	*by A. P. Davis, Pro.*	
			Albert A Minster	*Marshal.*	
			Alphonso Boisramen		
			Denny Mason		24

* *Witnesses testify of* 17 *men, but do not give names for the other* 3, *who probably were all*

			Not given.	J. H. Manley.	6
		90			
Smithfield.	Isaac W. Varney.	[69]	3 men, names unkn'wn.	G. M. Delany & Co.	3
3d District.	Moses Dunsmoor.	138			
	Were Selectmen.	[84]			
			6 men, names unkn'wn.	J. P. Deering & Co.	6
					15

No list of names found for any one of the three lots. No certificate.

			J T or I Horton		
			D Hall		
Southport.	D. R. Mathews.	226	Geo P Foye	Lewis Tibbetts.	6
3d District.	*One of the Selectmen.*	[110]	J J Giles		
			D Hamlin		
			A H Hicks		
					6

It seems to me that Tibbetts acted as an agent for the town and not as a sub. broker. One carefully examined various papers and records and am satisfied that all are named above.—A.

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to maval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			['64, 3 yrs.; disch. Sept. 7,'67.	
			Jno. Andrews, enl. at Port. Sept. 21	
			Enl. at Kittery, Feb. 8,'65, 3 yrs.;	deser. Nov. 12,'65.
			Doherty, enl. Aug. 13,'64, at Ports-	
3,640	Navy.		[mouth, 3 yrs.; des. Mar. 22,'66.	Names of men taken from a list furnished by one of the witnesses.
Receipt of A B Farwell for this included in a larger amount.			Enl. at Boston, Nov. 1,'65, for 3 [yrs.; disch. Feb. 19,'69.	
			Enl. at Boston, Nov. 11,'65, 3 yrs.	
			Enl. at Boston, June 7,'65, 1 yr.	
			Enl. at Boston, Dec. 29,'65, 3 yrs.; [deser. Dec. 9,'66.	and 1865.
			Find 18 John Kelleys during 1864	
			Enl. 20 May. '62, at Phila.; disch	22 May,'66.
4,500	*Not indicated, but of course they were* Marine corps.		Enl. 3 Oct. '63, at Wash.; disch. 3	Oct. '67.
Receipt of P. & C.			Enl. 14 Sept.'63, at Chicago; disch. [29 Sept. '66.	Names of men taken from certif. of commissioner of enrolment, 3d District.
			[June,'67; alien.	
			Enl. 24 June,'63, at N.Y.; disch. 24	
			Enl. 7 Aug.'62, Phil.; dis. 11 Sep.'64.	
			Enl. 3 Sept. '63, at Chicago; disch. [3 Sept. '67.	
8,140				

right and allowed in reimbursement.—A. C. Walker.

3,000	Navy.			
Receipt of Manley.	*Not indicated.*			
1,275	Not indicated			See 251 (Manley) list.
Receipt of D. & Co.				
2,610	Not indicated			
Receipt of Deering & Co.				
6,885				

	Navy.			Names of men taken from cert. of Maj. Littler. See Canaan on the 251 (Manley) list for same or similar names.
2,700	*Not indicated, but probably*			
Receipt of Tibbetts.	*marine corps.*			
2,700				

might suppose from testimony of witnesses that in this case there were other paper men, but I have

C. W.

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			Charles Brannaun William Barrett Daniel Cranium George H Collins Francis R. Desiley or Dailey Michael Dorrahn or Donahue		
Starks. 3d District.	Henry Williamson. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	304 [132]	Patrick Geary John McMaster Patrick Redan Patrick Sullivan Manuel Santas Edward Wade Edwin L West G E Welden	A. B. Farwell. *No cert. or receipt. Names of men taken from testimony of witness, who promised to send certain papers to be annexed to his deposition, but has not done so yet (Oct. 19, '70.)*	14
					14
			Nath'l W Silloway Varney Kenney J Hill	*No certifi. Names of these 5 taken from naval returns annexed to deposition of witness.*	5
Stow. 2d District.	Alfred A. Eastman. *Was one of the selectmen.*	279 [125]	J F Salvador M Sullivan	Delany & Yates.	
			L Thaxter J Blackwell F Daily	*Names of these 3 taken from Littler's certifi., which is endorsed by Nahum Morrill.*	3
					8
Strong. 2d District. *See App. K.	Benjamin Hunter, annexes affidavit of Stephen Morrell. *One of the selectmen.*	*229	John Sifert Henry Duffy Abijah D Ball James W. Campbell Henry Denehowe John Hailey George Jess	Wright, Herriman & Co. *Supposed to be same as Herriman, Libby & Co*	7
					7
Temple. 2d District.	S. F. Small. *Was one of the selectmen.*	255 [118]	Charles Anderson Thomas Brown Charles Brown Charles Lewis George Moore George F Oliver William Smith John Stanley John Williams George Young	*No certificate. Names of these 10 taken from book of naval credits by Com.* Delany & Yates.	12
			J O Brown Daniel Capron	*Names of these 2 taken from Littler's certific., endorsed by N Morrill.*	
					12

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commsi'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
7,000	Navy. *Not indicated.*		Enl. at Boston May 10, '64, one year; discharged 1st quarter '65. Enl. at Boston July 25, '64, 3 years; disch. Sept. 27, '67.	Names of men taken from testimony of witness. Some, if not all, were claimed by Selectmen as residents who enl. on R. S. Ohio.
7,000				
1,500			Enl. at Boston, Feb. 10, '64; died [May 21, '64.	Names of men taken from return of
R't of Delany for 900 *of the* $1,500.	Navy.		Enl. at Boston, Jan. 25, '64, for 1 [yr.; disch. Jan. 24, '65. Enl. at New Bedford, June 26, '64, [for 3 yrs.; des. Dec. 7, '65.	selectmen to naval commiss'n., claiming the man as residents who enlist'd on recv.-ship Ohio.
1,350	*Not indicated.*			Names of men taken from Maj. Littler's certificate. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
2,850				
			En. 18 Feb. '62, at Brookl'n; disch. 8 Feb. '62, at Phila.	14 Mar. '66.
			Enl. 8 Apr. '62, at Hd. Qu.; deser.	17 Oct. '65.
			Enl. 26 May '62, at Phila.; disch.	11 July, '65.
3,150	Marine corps.		Enl. 21 Apr. '62, at Phila.; disch. [21 Apr., '66.	Names of men taken from certif. of *Nahum Morrill*,
No receipt			7 Aug. '62, at Boston.	Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
			Enl. 5 Apr. '62, at Phila.; disch. [5 Apr. '66.	
3,500				
			Enl. at Boston, Feb. 3, '65, 3 yrs.;	disch. Aug. 18, '65.
			Find 7 Thos Browns during '64 & '65.	Names of men taken from record of naval commisson'r
			Find 5 Chas. Browns during '64 & '65.	
			Enl. at Portsmouth, Sept. 9, '64, 3 yr.	Claimed by selectmen as residents
4,750	Navy.		Find 16 Wm. Smiths during '64 & '65.	who enlisted on receiv.-ship Ohio.
Receipt of Delany & Co.			Find 32 John Williams during '64 [and '65.	Names taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler. Same names on 251 Manley list
4,750				

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			W H Bishop Wm C Clements Joseph Conant L F Dodge H Dexter J Eddy		
Thomaston. 3d District.	Joseph H. Jacobs. *Was one of the agents to fill the quota.*	243 [115]	G L Fisher P Galvin W Howard T Keenan E T Craine R Dunham Charles McCarthy	John Watts & Co., who bought of Manley.	13
					13
			John A Lewis Wilder McMitchell Philip Manning E L Noyes W Sexton T Sullivan		
Union. 3d District.	Danford Carroll. *Was one of the selectmen.*	285 [126]	J Cass T Caldwell Dennis Driscoll John Desmond A Frazier Albert N Greene C T Harkins I Irvine	John P. Deering & Co	14
					14
Unity. 5th District. *See App. K.	James Fowler, Jr. *Was one of the selectmen.*	*334	Not given.	G. M. Delany & Co. *No certifi. or receipt.*	10
					10
			Argus Peters John Ford John Tyler James Alexander Jacob Beck Joseph Eckert Erastus Tilley		
			Charles Williams		
Vassalboro'. 3d District.	Orrick Hawes. *Was one of the agents.*	288 [127]	Andrew Coffee John Brown	Ira D. Sturgis.	25
			Patrick Barry Richard S Dolly William Kelley		
			Charles A Stevens Miles M Oriatt (Orcutt)		

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
	Not known. Represented as re-enlisted. Probably marine corps.			Names of men taken from Maj. Littler's certificate.
5,850 *Receipt of Manley and Watts & Co.*	Navy.		Enl. at Boston, Mar. 17,'64, trans. [from army; disch. not report. Find 4 W. Howards during '64&'65. Thos. Enl. at Boston, Dec. 5,'65, [3 yrs.; did not after enlism't. Thos. Enl. at Boston, Dec. 23,'65, [for 3 yrs.	Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
5,850				
			Enl. at Portsmouth, Feb. 14, '64,	for 1 year.
6,200 *No receipt*	Navy. *Not indicated, but probably Marine Corps.*		Find 9 T. Sullivans during '64&'65. Enl. at Boston, Jan. 6,'64, 1 yr.; Enl Aug. 10,'64, at Port., 1 yr.; Enl. June 22,'65, Boston, 3 yrs.; Albert, Enl. Kittery, Feb. 23,'65, 3 [yrs.; derer. Dec. 7,'66.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list. disch. Jan. 30,'65. disch. Aug. 2,'65. disch. June 20,'68.
6,200				
4,450	Not indicated			
4,450				
			Enl. 12 Sept. '62, at Phila.; deser.	17 Dec. '65; alien.
			Enl. 11 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	11 Dec. '66.
			Enl. 16 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	9 Jan. '67; alien.
			Enl. 25 Nov. '62, at Phila.; disch.	27 Nov. '65.
			Enl. 5 Nov. '62, at Phila.; deserted	15 May, '66.
			Enl. 25 July,'62, at Phila.; disch. 12 July,'61, at Brooklyn.	17 Aug. '62.
			Enl. 7 Oct. '62, at Phila.; disch. 1 10 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.	May, '65.
11,250	Marine corps.		Enl. 13 Aug.'62, at Phila.; deser. 23 Sept. '61, at Washington.	20 Mar. '63.
			Enl. 6 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn; died	9 Oct. '65.
			[from army; deser. June 25,'64. Enl. at Bost, May 17,'64, trans. Enl. Mar. 2,'64, 2 yrs. Enl. Apr. 2,'64, trans. frm. army. 4 Feb. '62, at Phila.	
			Enl. 19 Aug. '62, at N. Y.; disch.	19 Aug. '66.

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Vassalboro', CONTINUED.			William M Smith George N Auger George W Brandfield Jere C Gregg Theodore R Harris Absalom N Ingersoll William J Johnston Joseph L Peasley Alexander Grant James McLure	Ira D. Sturgis.	
			James Brown Preston Cannard William Gibbons Ashley Hendrick John Kremer	Names of men taken from cert. of Jos. T. Woodward. *Sturgis seems to have acted more as an agent of town than as a broker*	5 30
			Albert Bigelow Thomas Hayes John E Williams Joseph King Thomas Irving	Delany. *No certifi. or receipt.*	5
					35
			Not given.	J. H. Manley. *Statem'ntof Adj. Gen. to Col. Farwell.*	10
			Not given.	J. H. Manley. *Cert. of W.H Fogler.*	3
			Not given.	J. H. Manley. *Cert. of W.H.Fogler.*	2
			Not given.	J.H.Manley, *but men belonged to Farwell.*	2
			Not given.	A. B. Farwell. *Cert. of W.H.Fogler.*	6
			William Parker William H Batts Edward Prince Walter Sniffins		
Waldoboro'. 3d District.	S. W. Jackson. *Was one of the select-men.*	321 [136]	Patrick Lynch Alex Logan John Sutton Franklin Evans Charles J Grimes Calvin Munger James Benney Chas B Blanderbilla Jerry Brett Charles Fisher Wm H Oakes Henry Busher David Boyd	Colby & Pike. *Certificate of Jos. T. Woodward, but it contains no names.*	20

* In the manuscript these figures are written over $3,600 which have a line through

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			Enl. Sept. 13,'64, at Boston, 3 yrs.; [disch. June 30,'65.	Names of men taken from certifi. of commis'r of enrol. 3d District.
			Enl. 23 Aug.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 24	July, '65.
			Enl 4 Apr.'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	4 Apr. '66.
			Enl. 24 Sept.'62, at Baltimo.; disch.	24 Sept. '66.
			Enl. 25 Aug.'63, at Wash.; disch	24 Aug. '67.
			Enl. 5 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. 5	Aug. '66; alien.
	Not indicated, probably		Enl. 18 Dec. '62, at Cinn'ti; disch	18 Dec. '66; alien.
2,250	Marine corps.			
			Enl. 15 Oct. '63, at Phila.; disch.	15 Oct. '67.
13,500 *Receipt of Sturgis.*				
			Enl. at Bost., Aug. 17,'64, 3 yrs.;	deser. Oct. 12, '65.
			Enl. Portsmouth, Sep. 30,'64, 3 yr. [disch. Dec. 6,'64.	
1,000	Navy.		Enl. June 25,'64, at Bost., 3 yrs.;	Names of men taken from testimo'y of witness.
			Enl. July 14, '64, at Portsm'th, 3 [yrs.; disch. Sept. 11,'67.	
14,500			Enl. Sept. 1, '64, at Bost., 3 yrs.	
*5,625 *Receipt of Manley.*	Not indicated			
1,050 *Receipt of Manley.*	Not indicated			
800 *Receipt of Manley.*	Not indicated			
1,150 *R'pt Farwell by Manley.*	Not indicated			
3,600 *Receipt of Farwell.*	Not indicated			
			Enl. 27 July,'63, at Phila.; deser. 3 Dec.'63, at Mare Island, Cal.	12 July,'64; alie .
			Enl. 23 Nov. '63, at Phila.; disch.	20 Oct. '64.
			Enl. 29 Aug.'63, at Gosport; disch.	29 Aug '67.
			Enl. 28 Aug. '63, at Phila.; disch	1 May, '64; alien.
			Enl. 1 Dec. '63, at Phila.; deserted	7 Jan. '65.
			Enl. 22 Sept.'63, at Norfolk; disch.	22 Sept. '67.
			Enl 23 Mar.'63, at Hd. Qu.; in serv. [vice at Portsmouth, N.H	at Hd. Quar.
5,600 *Receipt of C. & P. for 6,000, but only the above amount was paid.*	Marine corps.		Enl. 29 Oct.'63, at Brooklyn; in ser-	
			Enl. 26 Oct.'63, at Phila.; disch. 26 [9 Oct.'65; alien.	Oct. '67; alien. Names of men taken from a list furnished by witness.
			Enl. 9 Oct. '61, at Hd. Qur.; disch.	
			Enl. 4 Dec.'61, N Y.; dis. 4 Dec.'65.	
			Enl. 29 Nov.'61, Phil.; now on board	U. S. St. Congress.
			Enl. 19 Mar. '62, at Phila.; disch.	24 Oct. '64.
			Enl. 6 Nov. '61, at Phila.; disch.	30 Nov. '65.

them.—SAM'L W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

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Waldoboro', CONTINUED.			G W Henois John Hoban James Bradley		43
	Otis W. Fabyan. *Was agent to assist Selectmen.*	312 [134]	Joseph Griffin Thomas W Long James McGee } *	G. M. Delany & Co. *No certificate.*	3
Wales. 2d District.	Harding L. Watts. *Resides in Monmouth.* *Was a citizen of Wales.*	339 [140]	Michael Burgin William Houghlin Hewe McGuire Peter Clark Michael Coughlin William Kelley William Deven Alexander Coulter } †	Mr. North, of Augusta. *No certificate.*	8 11
Warren. 3d District.	Moses R. Mathews. *Was one of the selectmen.*	247 [116]	Isaac Wood Henry C Winger Daniel Connors James Cavanaugh James B Fowler John Fitzgerald John McCabe James Shaw George W Wheeler James H Stevens Walter C Clare James Medcalf Richard Fairclaugh Charles Gilligan Charles J O Hagan	C. T. Bean, then of Warren. *Names of men taken from certifi. of Jos. T. Woodward.* *Z. R. Wright of Lewiston claimed that he furnished the men, and he demanded payment for them. G. P. Cochrane claimed that he was to furnish the men, having an understanding with Wright.*	15 15
Waterville. 3d District.	Joseph Percival. *Was chair'm of selectmen.*	9 [41]	L F Dodge O Dean F or T Meads A A Matherson Henry Putman or Putnam J S Blow or Plow John M Rowe Samuel B Randall J A Rounds S Smith Thomas Abram J Veazie John B Boyle John Busline	Pike & Colby. *Naval men from the 251 list.* *Names of men taken from receipt of Pike & Colby and compared with certificate of Maj. Littler and with certif. of Jos. T. Woodward.* J. P. Deering & Co.	10 10

* *Names of men taken from Naval Credit Book and supposed to have been the three furnished*

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Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commsi'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
			9 Dec.'61, at Philda.	
			Enl. 10 Apr.'62, at Phila.; disch.	12 Apr.'66; alien.
			Enl. 22 May,'62, at Phila.; disch.	22 May,'66.
15,800				
		May 30,'62.		Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on receiv.-ship Ohio. Names of men and branch or class of service, and am't, taken from claim for reimbursement
1,200	Navy.	Mar. 31 '64.		
Receipt of D. & Co.		Apr. 4, '62.		
			[19 May, '65.	
2,920	Marine corps.		Enl. 24 Mar.'62, at Phila.; disch.	
No receipt			Enl. 18 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch.	18 Dec.'66; alien.
			Enl. 1 May,'63, at Wash.; deser.	16 June, '67.
			19 Aug.'62, at Phila.	
			Enl. 30 Sept.'62, at Phila.; disch.	30 Sept.'66.
4,120				

by Delany. † *There is but little information afforded by witnesses in this case.*

			Enl. 12 Sept.'62, at Boston; disch.	12 Sept.'66.
			Enl. 2 Oct.'62, at Phila; disch.	2 Oct.'66.
			Enl. 27 July,'63, at Phila.; disch.	10 Aug.'67.
			Enl. 3 May,'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	3 May, '66.
			[16 Sept.'67; alien	
			Enl. 16 Sept '63, at Brooklyn; disc.	
	Not indicated, probably		Enl. 28 Oct.'62, at Phila.; disch. 18	Dec.'66; alien.
			Enl. 27 May,'62, at Brooklyn; disch.	27 May,'66; alien.
6,450	Marine corps.		Enl. 26 Oct.'63, at Phila.; disch. 26	Oct.'67; alien.
Receipt of C.T.B.			Enl. 18 Aug.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 24	Mar.'68.
			[in service at Portsmouth.	
			Enl. 2 Jan.'62, at Brooklyn; now	Names of men taken from certif. of commissioner of enrolment, 3d District.
			En. 14 Jan.'62, Wash; disc. 8 Feb,'70.	
			Enl. 5 Jan.'63, at Brooklyn; disch.	
			[1 May,'66; alien.	
			Enl. 18 Aug.'63, at N.Y.; disch.	
6,450			[17 Aug.'67.	
4,250	Navy.			Names of men taken from receipt of Pike & Colby and compared with those in certifi. of Major Littler. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
Receipt of P. & C.	*Marine corps.*			
4,250				

ABSTRACT FROM TESTIMONY OF OFFICERS

Name of town.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Waterville, CONTINUED.			D W Jackson D O'Brien A Rogers Francis A Cobb James McGraw James Green	J. P. Deering & Co. *Naval men from the 251 list.*	10 20

It appears that the town bought 16 *more men of Deering & Co., but it is not proven that they furthermore, I think the men called "Barton men" on the claim, and which were allowed, are*

			Thomas P Fagan John Keely John C Brown Patrick Swann	Herriman, Libby & Co. *Names of men taken from certificate of Nahum Morrill.*	4
Webster. 2d District. *See App. K.	Jesse Davis. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	*419	J H Howe Wm Poor Dennis Smith	Delany. *Naval men from the 251 list.*	3 7
Wells.† 1st District.	George Goodwin. *Acted as agent.*	438 [161]	John Camp Philip Allany Thomas Pierce (Pearcy Henry Breman William Webb George A Burnham	Hodgdon, Morris & Co. *No certificate.*	6 6

† *The names of men in case of this town were not sent to the War and Navy Departments.*

War and Navy Departments were prepared, hence the names of the men were not included

			George C Arnold Wm H Manuel John Lee		
Westport. 3d District.	John McCarty. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	330 [138]	John Murphy Frank (Mark) Jones George W Sawtelle	George M. Delany. *No certificate.*	6 6
			William Hannigan John McCarthy		
Wiscasset. 3d District.	Isaac H. Coffin. *Was one of the selectmen.*	360 [145]	Philip Manning James H Knox James Sprowl Davis Smith John J Smith	I. W. Reed. *No certificate.*	7

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
3,250 *Receipt of J. P. D. & Co.*	Navy. *Not indicated.*		Daniel, Enl. Dec. 31,'64, at Bost. [for 3 years. Dennis, Enl. Jan. 28,'64, at Bost. [for 1 yr.; disch. Feb. 21,'65. Enl. at Boston, Aug. 16,'64, 3 yrs.; [disch. Feb. 5,'68.	Names of men taken from certifi. of Maj. Littler. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
7,500				

were paper men, and in fact it appears that the town was reimbursed for five of them; and, the same as "Deering men."—A. C. Walker, Clerk.

			Enl. 13 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch. [14 Jan. '66.	13 Dec. '66; alien.
1,800 *Receipt of H. L. & Co.*	Marine corps.		Enl. 14, Jan. '62, at Phila.; disch.	Names of men taken from certif. of Pro. Mar. 2d Dist.
			Enl. 1 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch. [30 Mar. '67.	
1,350 *No receipt*	Navy. *Not indicated.*			Names of men taken from Maj. Littler's certificate. Same names on the 251 (Manley) list.
3,150				
2,000 *No receipt*	*Appear to have been* Navy *men allowed by Naval Com.*			Names of men taken from claim for reimbursement. Allowed by Naval Commission.
2,000				

The witness in case of this town was not examined until after the schedules sent to the in those schedules.

			Enl. Jan. 18,'64, at Boston, 1 yr.;	disch. Aug. 18,'65.
			Enl. Nov. 3,'64, at Kittery, 3 yrs.;	died Dec. 28,'64.
			Enl. Nov. 3,'64, at Kittery, 3 yrs.	Names of men taken from receipt of Delany. Claimed by selectmen as residents who enlisted on the Ohio.
510	Navy.		Find 11 Jno. Murphys during 1864 [and 1865.	
510				
		Feb. 24,'64.	[Portsmouth.	Names of men taken from testimony of witness. Claimed by Selectmen as residents who enlisted on the "Ohio."
		Feb. 29,'64.	Jno. McCarty, Enl. Feb. 29,'64, at	
700 *Receipt of I W Reed for* 300 *of it.*	Navy.	Feb. 4,'64.	Enl. Feb. 4,'64, at Portsmouth.	
		Jan. 20,'64.	Enl. Jan. 20,'64, at Portsmouth.	
		Feb. 23,'64	Enl. Feb. 23,'64, at Portsmouth.	
		Jan. 7,'64.	David, En. at Portsmouth, Jan. 7,'64	
		Mar. 1,'64.	Enl. Mar. 1,'64, at Portsmouth; [disch. Feb. 28,'67.	

ABSTRACT FROM TESTIMONY OF OFFICERS

Name of towns.	Name of witness.	Page.	Names of men.	Name of broker.	No. of men.
Wiscasset, CONTINUED.			S B Norton W Powers Charles Williams W Pike Frank (Mark) Salvador Robert W Thompson S N Bridgham		
	Isaac H. Coffin.	360 [145]	Michael Connelly George Lawson John Reed Thomas J Smith R B Harlow Charles White C F Greene John Thomas C Thompson	G. M. Delany & Co. *No certificate.*	16 23
			John B Stanton John Mahony William Ring		
Winslow. 3d District.	Colby C. Cornish. *Was one of the Selectmen.*	377 [149]	John I Curtis John Cassidy Timothy Kelley Charles Leaman James M Roche John Sheehan Patrick McCabe Charles Forad Michael Kennedy	Pike & Colby. *Names of men taken from Woodward's certificate.*	12 12
			Not given.	A. B. Farwell. *Certificates of Gen'l. Hodsdon.*	11
Winthrop. 3d District.	C. A. Wing, *who acted in behalf of the citizens of Winthrop.*	406 [154]	Not given.	J. H. Manley. *Certificate of W. H. Fogler for 4, and of Gen. Hodsdon for 3.*	7 18

[NOTE.—The parts of the foregoing table printed in italics have a line drawn through

AND AGENTS OF TOWNS—(*Continued.*)

Price paid.	Class.	Date of enlistment taken from returns of selectmen to naval commis'on.	Data furnished by Navy Department.	Remarks.
		Mar. 2, '62.		
		Feb. 18, '62.	Enl. Feb. 8, '62, at Boston.	
		Apr. 29, '62.		
		Dec. 8, '62.	Enl. Dec. 8, '22, at Boston; disch.	Dec. 20, '63.
		Jan. 27, '62.		
		Dec. 27, '62.	Enl. at Boston, Dec. 27, '62.	Names of men taken from testimony of witness.
		Apr. 7, '62.		
1,900	Navy.	Jan. 19, '62.		
Receipt of		Dec. 31, '62.	Enl. at Boston, Dec. 31, '62; disch.	
Delany		Feb. 13, '62.	[Sept. 25, '63.	
& Co.		Apr. 23, '62.		Claimed by selectmen as residents, who enlisted on receiving ship Ohio.
		May 14, '62.		
		Mar. 7, '62.		
		Mar. 22, '62		
		Mar. 6, '62.		
		May 7, '62.		
2,600				
			Enl. 13 Jan. '63, at N. Y.; disch.	29 Apr. '67.
			Enl. 9 Oct. '61, at Boston; disch.	11 Oct. '65; alien.
	Represented to be in the navy. Probably in the		Enl. 14 July, '63, at N. Y.; in ser. 14 July, '61, at NewYork; alien.	at Brooklyn, N. Y.
			25 Sept. '63, at New York.	
5,280	Marine corps.		Enl. 26 May, '62, at Brooklyn; 11 June, '63, at N. Y.; alien.	disch. 29 May, '66.
Receipt of				
P. & C.			Enl. 13 Aug. '63, at Brooklyn; disch.	13 Aug. '67; alien.
			Enl. 5 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch.	16 Dec. '65.
			Enl. 18 July, '63, at N. Y.; disch.	20 July, '67; alien.
			[29 Mar. '65.	Names of men taken from certificate of Commiss'er of Enrol. 3d Dist.
			Enl. 21 Dec. '61, at Phila.; disch.	
5,280			Enl. 8 May, '62, at Brooklyn; disch.	
			[8 May, '66.	
5,500				
Receipt of				
A. B. F.	*Not indicated.*			
3,100	Navy.			
Receipt of				
Manley.				
8,600				

them in the manuscript.—SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

APPENDIX F.

CORRESPONDENCE

THROUGH THE GOVERNOR WITH THE WAR AND NAVY DEPARTMENTS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, June 23d, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—In order to prosecute thoroughly the enquiries relating to "certain charges against towns, and to credits for men not put into the service" under the resolves of the legislature providing for a commission for such purpose, it will be necessary for us to have duly authenticated copies from the War Department of the United States at Washington of the following papers or records, viz:

1st. Names of persons resident in any ward of a city, town, township, precinct or election district in the State of Maine, who, prior to February 24, 1864, entered the naval service of the United States whose names are borne upon the enrolment lists returned to the office of the Provost Marshal General of the United States, referred to in Section 2 of Act of February 24, 1864, U. S. statutes at large, volume 13, page 6; also, names of mariners or able or ordinary seamen, who having been drafted into the military service of the United States within eight days after notification of such draft, shall have enlisted into the naval service thereof under the authority of the 7th section of said Act of February 24, 1864; together with descriptive list of such persons called for in each case, the place and time of their enlistment, the place and time of their discharge or discharges, the service, station or ship on which—if still in the naval service—they are now employed, the city, town or precinct to which they were credited and the bounty money paid to each.

2d. Copy of enlistments, other than those above described, into the naval service or marine corps during the war of the rebellion that were credited to any town, township, precinct or district of the State of Maine or to the State at large, or placed at the disposal of any officer of said State or other person to be so credited under authority of section 3 of Act of July 1, 1864, and of the

8th section of Act of July 4, 1864, together with descriptive list of such persons, the place and time of such enlistment, the place and time of their discharge or discharges, the service, station or ship on which, if still in the naval service, they are now employed, the city, town or precinct to which they were credited, and the bounty money paid to each.

We therefore very respectively request that a requisition be made from the Executive of the State upon the Secretary of War to procure and place at our disposal the copies above referred to.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

GEORGE F. TALBOT,
A. SANBORN,
SELDEN CONNOR,
} Commissioners.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., July 19, 1870.

His Excellency, Joshua L. Chamberlain,

Governor of Maine, Augusta:

Sir:—Referring to your communication of the 8th inst., transmitting the request of a "Commission of Investigation" for information concerning credits for naval enlistments in the State of Maine during the late war, viz:

1st. List of names, &c., of all persons credited to Maine under section 2, Act of Februray 24, 1864,

2d. List of names, &c., of all persons credited to Maine under section 7, Act of February 24, 1864,

3. List of names, &c., of all persons credited to Maine under section 3, Act of July 1, 1864, and

4th. List of names, &c., of all persons credited to Maine under section 8, Act of July 4, 1864,

I have in reply the honor to inform you that the credits mentioned in the 1st and 4th classes recited above, are those which were determined by a commission appointed by the Secretary of War under date of July 7, 1864, which commission was composed of His Excellency Samuel Cony, late Governor of Maine, and Major J. W. T. Gardiner, A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine. These credits were allowed by number only, and no record, by name, appears to have been retained, consequently it is utterly impracticable to comply with this portion of the request of the commission.

Relative to the 2d and 3d enquiries of the "Commission of Investigation," it is thought that a list of names and personal description, &c., of the classes therein mentioned may be obtained from the records of this office, of enlistments *subsequent* to July 1, 1864. This list can only be made by copying the returns of the recruiting officers which were made monthly, and which are partly filed with the records of the District Provost Marshals, and partly with the records of the A. A. Provost Marshal General of the State. A list so made would require the services of one competent clerk for two months, and would then be only approximately correct, nor could it be verified from other records of credit, those records being kept by number only.

Under the foregoing it is doubtful if the information would prove of value to the commission—therefore, its preparation would involve a waste of time.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

E. D. Townsend, Adjutant General.

[*Endorsement on the foregoing.*]

I think it will be best after getting a full list of the "*Paper men*," with the branch of service it was claimed they were in, to send a copy of the list to the war office and enquire if the names can be found on the rolls. Let a letter be prepared as soon as possible. G. F. T.

Forward with your suggestions, to Mr. Walker. G. F. T.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, September 3d, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—In order "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government," under resolves of the Legislature appointing a Commission for that purpose, the Commissioners need information from the Navy Department of the United States whether or not the men or credits who were furnished on said quotas by brokers, and whose names are contained in the accompanying list, and who it was asserted belonged to the naval service either as sailors or members of the marine corps, appear to have been duly enlisted, and if so, a statement of the time and place of their enlistment.

The Commissioners, therefore, respectfully request that a requisition be made by the Executive of this State upon the Secretary of the Navy to furnish them with said information and statement.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

George F. Talbot,
A. Sanborn,
Selden Connor,
} Commissioners.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, September 3, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—In order "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government," under the resolves of the Legislature appointing a Commission for that purpose, the Commissioners need, first, information from the War Department whether or not the men or credits who were furnished on said quotas by brokers, and whose names, with the branch of service to which it was asserted they belonged, are contained in the accompanying list, appear to have been duly enrolled and credited to said municipalities on the returns or records of

the A. A. Provost Marshal General and of the provost marshals of the several districts in Maine; second, a statement of the number of all persons credited to Maine under section 2 of the act of Congress of February 24, 1864, and section 8 of the act of July 4, 1864, as determined and reported by the Commission which was appointed by the Secretary of War July 7, 1864, and was composed of Hon. Samuel Cony, late Governor of Maine, and Major J. W. T. Gardiner, A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine.

The Commissioners, therefore, respectfully request that a requisition be made by the Executive of the State upon the Secretary of War to furnish them with said information and statement.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

GEORGE F. TALBOT,
A. SANBORN,
SELDEN CONNOR,
} Commissioners.

Navy Department, Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting,
Washington, September 22, 1870.

Sir:—Your letter of the 7th inst., to the Honorable Secretary of the Navy, and enclosures, have been referred to this bureau.

The list showing the names of men alleged to have enlisted in the navy and marine corps, is herewith respectfully returned for additional information, as it is impossible to furnish the desired data, unless it can be shown about "when the men enlisted, or the name of some vessel on which they may have served," and if possible "about the time of such service."

The Bureau would respectfully request that the list be further amended by specifying the men who enlisted as marines, as the records of that branch of the service come under the cognizance of the commandant of the marine corps to whom the enclosure will be referred for the desired information upon its return to the Bureau.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WM. REYNOP, Chief of Bureau.

To his Excellency Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor,
State of Maine, Augusta, Me.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24th, 1870,
Augusta, September 28th, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—We duly received from your hands the communication of Wm. Reynop, Chief of Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, of September 22, 1870. In that communication the Chief of Bureau, &c., says: "The list showing the names of men alleged to have enlisted in the navy and marine corps is herewith respectfully returned for additional information, as it is impossible to furnish the desired data, unless it can be shown about 'when the men enlisted, or the name of some vessel on which they may have served,' and if possible, 'about the time of such service.' The Bureau would respectfully request that

the list be further amended by specifying the men who enlisted as marines, as the records of that branch of the service come under the cognizance of the Commandant of the marine corps, to whom the enclosure will be referred for the desired information upon its return to the Bureau."

In answer to the above suggestions of the Bureau, we respectfully request your Excellency to make the following explanations:

1st. Late in the year 1864 and early in the year 1865 certain private persons acting as substitute and recruit brokers, most of them having places of business at Augusta, Maine, sold to the officers and agents of about one hundred towns in Maine men or credits for men to the number of about 1000, and received from said officers and agents, in payment therefor, an average price of $450 per man; and for such compensation the said brokers procured an equivalent number of men to be credited to said towns respectively, upon the quotas of men assigned to them under the calls of July, 1864, and December, 1864. Lists of such men were furnished as to 732, which are transcribed in the list forwarded to the Bureau, and as to many others, *so many men* not named, seemed to have been purchased, paid for, and put to the credit of certain towns.

The object of the inquiry put to the Navy and War Departments is, first, to determine whether these 732 names are the names of real men actually in the service, or whether they are fictitious names, fraudulently prepared and sold. As yet it is not known to the people of this State, or even to its authorities, whether these names are real or fictitious. We cannot give time and place or vessel on which the enlistments were made, as our very inquiry to the Department is for those facts in order to know whether they were ever enlisted at all.

Second. If these or any of them are the names of actually enlisted men, we wish, if possible, to put ourselves in communication with some of them in order to learn whether their sale by brokers and assignment on the quotas of towns was with their assent and knowledge, and enured in any way as a pecuniary or other benefit to themselves.

No record of the class of ostensible enlistments of the kind referred to can be found among the archives of the State of Maine, as the Adjutant General's Report for 1864–5, vol. 1, says: "No record of the names of these enlisted men was made in this office, because it was deemed important that every facility for obtaining State bounty at any time hereafter by special legislation upon enlistments of *this character* should be scrupulously guarded against." However, in accordance with the suggestion of the Bureau we have amended the list, which is again forwarded, by inserting in it the names of the ship in which, *by certain returns of town officers*, it is claimed the enlistment was made, and where said returns show it, the date of the enlistment. We are still in doubt even as to those names, whether they are real or fictitious, because those returns we have already proved, by testimony taken by us, to be false in the essential respect; that the persons named in them are not and never were residents of the several towns as therein certified; and the officers, who seemed to have so certified, are in most cases unable to explain how their certificates were obtained. All the recruits obtained and sold seem to have been on board one ship, the Receiving Ship Ohio, which seems to us extraordinary.

We deem it necessary to explain the questionable character of the documents from which we have made the amended data in the list, that they may aid but not mislead the Bureau in the investigation sought.

1. Were these men, claimed to have been enlisted on board the Receiving Ship Ohio, actually so enlisted, and if so, where are they now, if alive and in the service?

2. Are the other names in the accompanying list, claimed as in the naval or marine service, of whose enlistment we can find in this State no record, the names of men actually in such service, and if so, when and where were they enlisted, and where, if alive and in the service, may they now be found?

These are the questions we have to investigate, and which it will promote the public interest to have determined.

With highest respect,

Your obedient servants,

(Signed) GEORGE F. TALBOT,
(Signed) A. SANBORN, } Commissioners.
(Signed) SELDEN CONNOR,

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., October 26th, 1870.

His Excellency, Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine, Augusta:

Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 7th of September, (ulto.) transmitting a letter from the "Commission of Investigation" appointed to "examine into matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government," in which they desire

1st. The verification of the credit of the men whose names are borne on a list furnished by them (enlistments in the navy and marine corps,) and

2d. A statement of the number of persons credited to Maine by the Commission appointed under section 2, act of February 24, 1864, and section 8, act of July 4, 1864.

I have, in reply, respectfully to transmit herewith a list of the names of the men borne on the list furnished by the "Commission of Investigation," whose credit, by name, are verified from the records of this office; also copies of the returns of the Commission appointed by the War Department in 1864, showing the assignment, by number, of the credits allowed by the said Commission. These returns contain 3170 credits. The report of the Provost Marshal General, U. S., allows Maine 3097 credits, assigned by the Commission, and the difference (73) can be accounted for (with the exception of two credits) by adding the columns, "recent enlistments not heretofore credited," to those allowed by the Provost Marshal General or those reported in the first two columns of the "returns." However, it is of record that the 3170 credits allotted by the Commission were actually applied upon the quotas of the towns mentioned in the returns.

It will also be found that in some of the towns on the list furnished by the "Commission of Investigation," none of the names *can be verified* from the records of this office, *but*, with the exception of two towns ("Parsonsfield"

first district, and "Webster" second district,) the returns of the Commission show that about as many credits (in some cases many more) were allowed to these towns by *number* as are now claimed by *name*.

I am, sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

E. D. TOWNSEND, Adjutant General.

[NOTE. For the list referred to in the foregoing communication, furnished by the "Commission of Investigation," see Appendix K, Schedule B.—S.W. LANE, Sec'y of the Senate.]

Copies of Returns of the Commission appointed by the War Department in 1864.

NAVAL CREDITS OF THE FIRST DISTRICT OF MAINE.

This List of Credits comprises all enlistments in the Naval Service of the United States of which returns have been received up to and including August 24, 1864, embracing the one hundred and thirty-nine seamen in the U. S. Navy, May 1, 1864, allowed by Provost Marshal General upon enrolment, with exception of recent enlistments in the "Sabine" Receiving Ship.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Marl's.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Acton	.....	7	.....	7
Alfred	1	.....	.....	1
Berwick	8	3	.....	11
Baldwin	1	.....	.....	1
Bridgton	1	.....	.....	1
Biddeford	12	.....	.....	12
Brunswick	11	7	.....	18
Buxton	12	9	9	30
Cornish	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cape Elizabeth	6	19	14	39
Casco	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland	12	2	.....	14
Dayton	2	1	.....	3
Eliot	8	.....	.....	8
Falmouth	1	.....	1	2
Freeport	5	13	1	19
Gorham	1	1	.....	2
Gray	2	.....	.....	2
Hollis	.....	3	.....	3
Harpswell	6	6	.....	12
Harrison	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kennebunk	9	5	1	15
Kennebunkport	10	4	.....	14
Kittery	55	23	.....	78
Lebanon	3	.....	.....	3
Limerick	.....	.....	.....	.....
Limington	.....	.....	1	1
Lyman	.....	.....	.....	.....
Naples	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newfield	.....	10	.....	10

Naval Credits First District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro.Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
New Gloucester	5	.....	.....	5
North Berwick	.....	4	.....	4
North Yarmouth	2	9	.....	11
Otisfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parsonsfield	1	.....	.....	1
Portland	254	28	37	319
Pownal	2	2	1	5
Raymond	.....	8	.....	8
Saco	10	2	.....	12
Scarboro'	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sebago	.....	.....	.....	.....
Standish	.....	1	.....	1
Shapleigh	1	.....	.....	1
Sanford	5	3	.....	8
South Berwick[a]	9	18	.....	27
Waterborough	2	.....	.....	2
Westbrook	7	.....	.....	7
Wells	6	.....	.....	6
Windham	.....	3	.....	3
Yarmouth	12	1	1	14
York	13	5	.....	18
Total	495	197	66	758

Biddeford, sub-dist. { 5—2, 6—4, 7—1, 8—1, 9—2, 10—0, 11—2 } =12

Portland, sub-dist. { 42—44, 43—51, 44—52, 45—32, 46—22, 47—16, 48—37 } =254

Statement of additional "Naval Credits," returned since August 24, 1864, allowed by "Commission," to and including September 5, 1864, exclusive of any recent enlistments included in returns of the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General.

First District of Maine.

TOWNS.	Number of additional credits.	Allowed and transferred from "Gen'l Credit" of State.	Total.
Biddeford	10	.....	10
Cumberland	8	.....	8
Eliot	8	1	9
Gray	7	4	11
Harpswell	5	.....	5
Lyman	3	1	4
Sanford	.....	3	3
Scarboro'	13	.....	13
Shapleigh	1	.....	1
York	1	.....	1
Total	56	9	65

Statement of Credits of Naval enlistments, apportioned to the several towns and plantations specified, from the General Credit of the same to the State.

FIRST DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWN.	Number.	TOWN.	Number.
Lebanon	3	"*Recapitulation.*" York County	3
Total	3	Total	3

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Official, THOMAS M. VINCENT, Ass't Adjutant General.

NAVAL CREDITS OF SECOND DISTRICT OF MAINE.

This list of credits comprises all enlistments in the naval service of the United States, of which returns have been received up to and including August 24, 1864, embracing the one hundred and thirty-nine seamen in the U. S. Navy May 1st, 1864, allowed by Provost Marshal General upon enrolment, with exception of recent enlistments in the Receiving Ship "Sabine."

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Albany	3	3	.....	6
Auburn	5	.....	.....	5
Avon	.....	.....	.....	.....
Andover	1	.....	.....	1
Arrowsic	1	.....	.....	1
Bath	43	10	1	54
Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bowdoinham	12	.....	.....	12
Bowdoin	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brownfield	1	.....	.....	1
Buckfield	1	.....	.....	1
Byron	1	.....	.....	1
Canton	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carthage	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chesterville	1	.....	.....	1
Danville	4	.....	.....	4
Denmark	2	.....	.....	2
Durham	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dixfield	1	.....	.....	1
East Livermore	1	.....	.....	1
Farmington	5	4	.....	9
Freeman	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fryeburg	3	.....	.....	3
Gilead	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greene	4	4	.....	8
Grafton	.....	.....	.....	.....
Georgetown	7	1	.....	8
Greenwood	10	.....	.....	10
Hanover	.....	.....	.....	.....

Naval Credits Second District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Hartford		9		9
Hebron				
Hiram				
Industry				
Jay	2			2
Kingfield				
Lewiston	16			16
Lisbon	1	13		14
Leeds	1			1
Lovell	1			1
Livermore	1			1
Mason				
Madrid				
Mexico				
Minot				
Newry				
New Sharon				
New Vineyard				
Norway	5			5
Oxford	7	4		11
Paris	1			1
Poland		1		1
Phillips				
Peru	2			2
Perkins	1			1
Phipsburg	10	1		11
Porter				
Rangely				
Roxbury				
Richmond	5	19	1	25
Rumford	3			3
Salem				
Strong				
Stowe	3			3
Stoneham				
Sumner				
Sweden				
Turner				
Temple		10		10
Topsham	9	1		10
Upton				
Waterford	1			1
Wales				
Webster				
Weld	2			2
Wilton				
West Bath	2			2
Woolwich	4	1		5
Woodstock	1	1		2
Andover North Surplus				
Franklin plantation				
Fryeburg Academy Grant				
Hamlin's Grant				
Lincoln plantation				
Milton plantation				
Riley plantation				
Eustis plantation				
Ingall's plantation				
Jerusalem plantation				
Letter "E" plantation				

Naval Credits Second District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Marl's.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Perkins plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rangely plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 3 plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 6 plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dallas plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy River plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenvale plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 1, Range 3, and Jackson plantation.	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	184	82	2	268

Additional Naval Credits returned since August 24, 1864, allowed by "Commission" to and including September 5th, 1864, exclusive of any recent enlistments included in returns to the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General.

SECOND DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWNS.	Additional credits.	Allowed from general credit of State.	Total.
Bowdoin	1	.....	1
Fryeburg	3	.....	3
Jay	1	.....	1
Mexico	4	1	5
Porter	10	3	13
Richmond	4	.....	4
Stow	2	.....	2
Turner	7	.....	7
Wales	3	.....	3
Woolwich	1	.....	1
Total	36	4	40

Statement of credits of naval enlistments apportioned to the several towns and plantations specified from the general credit of the same to the State.

SECOND DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWN.	Number.	TOWN	Number.
ANDROSCOGGIN.		Rangely	1
East Livermore	6	Temple	1
Greene	2	Weld	10
		Eustis plantation	3
Total	8	Jerusalem	2
		Letter "E"	1
FRANKLIN.		Perkins	1
Carthage	1	Rangely	1
Chesterville	2	No. 3	1
Kingfield	1	No. 6	1
Madrid	1	No. 2, Range 2	1

Naval Enlistments,—Continued.

TOWN.	Number.
Dallas	1
Sandy River plantation	1
Washington	1
Strong	2
Total	33
OXFORD.	
Andover	1
Andover North Surplus	1
Andover South Surplus	1
Albany	1
Byron	1
Dixfield	1
Gilead	1
Grafton	1
Hanover	1
Mexico	2
Oxford	1
Paris	2
Peru	2
Porter	1
Roxbury	1
Stow	1
Stoneham	1
Uppton	1
Woodstock	1
Franklin plantation	1
Fryeburg Academy	1
Hamlin Grant	1
Lincoln	1
Milton	1
Riley	1
Ingalls	1
Total	29
SAGADAHOC.	
Richmond	4
Total	4
RECAPITULATION.	
Androscoggin county	8
Franklin county	33
Oxford county	29
Sagadahoc county	4
Total	74

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Official, THOMAS M. VINCENT, Assistant Adjutant General.

NAVAL CREDITS OF THE THIRD DISTRICT OF MAINE.

This List of Credits comprises all enlistments in the Naval Service of the United States of which returns have been received up to and including August 24, 1864, embracing the one hundred and thirty-nine seamen in the U. S. Navy May 1, 1864, allowed by Provost Marshal General upon enrolment, with exception of recent enlistments in the Receiving Ship "Sabine."

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Augusta	26	2	.....	28
Anson	.....	.....	.....	.....
Albion	.....	1	.....	1
Athens	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alna	.....	4	.....	4
Bingham	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belgrade	.....	1	.....	1
Benton	2	1	.....	3
Brighton	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boothbay	24	10	.....	34
Bremen	8	.....	.....	8
Bristol	18	.....	.....	18

Naval Credits Third District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistmtnts not heretofore credited.	Total.
Cambridge	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chelsea	4	1	.....	5
China	3	17	.....	20
Canaan	2	.....	.....	2
Carratunk	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clinton	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cushing	5	1	.....	6
Cornville	1	1	.....	2
Detroit	.....	.....	.....	.....
Damariscotta	14	.....	.....	14
Dresden	4	4	.....	8
Embden	.....	.....	.....	.....
Edgecomb	5	2	.....	7
Fairfield	1	.....	.....	1
Farmingdale	5	2	.....	7
Fayette	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friendship	3	9	.....	12
Gardiner	8	.....	1	9
Harmony	2	.....	.....	2
Hallowell	7	5	.....	12
Hartland	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jefferson	6	14	.....	20
Lexington	.....	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield	11	.....	.....	11
Manchester	1	7	.....	8
Madison	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mayfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monmouth	4	2	.....	6
Mercer	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon	.....	2	.....	2
Moscow	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Portland	1	.....	.....	1
Newcastle	17	.....	.....	17
Norridgewock	1	.....	.....	1
Nobleboro'	2	5	.....	7
Palmyra	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pittston	9	3	.....	12
Pittsfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ripley	.....	1	.....	1
Readfield	1	.....	.....	1
Rome	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Albans	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sidney	3	.....	.....	3
Somerville	2	.....	.....	2
Solon	.....	.....	.....	.....
Skowhegan	2	.....	.....	2
Southport	17	3	.....	20
Smithfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. George	21	2	.....	23
Starks	1	.....	.....	1
Thomaston	16	6	.....	22
Union	3	.....	.....	3
Vassalborough	11	5	.....	16
Vienna	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waterville	8	.....	.....	8
Wayne	1	.....	.....	1
West Gardiner	2	.....	.....	2

Naval Credits Third District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Windsor	1	.....	.....	1
Winslow	3	.....	.....	3
Winthrop	3	2	.....	5
Waldoboro'	7	3	.....	10
Westport	3	10	.....	13
Whitefield	5	3	.....	8
Wiscasset	14	33	.....	47
Washington	.....	1	.....	1
Warren	5	.....	.....	5
Dead River plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flagstaff plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Moose River plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Forks plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
The Forks plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackmantown plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 1, R. 2, W. Ken. river	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 1, R. 3, E. Ken. river	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 1, R. 3, W. Ken. river	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 2, R. 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clinton Gore plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unity plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monhegan Isle plantation	1	1	.....	2
Matinicus Isle plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muscle Ridge plantation and Dix Island	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	324	164	1	489

Additional Naval Credits returned since August 24, 1864, allowed by "Commission" to and including September 5, 1864, exclusive of any recent enlistments included in returns to the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General.

THIRD DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWNS.	Additional Credits.	Allowed from Gen'l Credits of State.	Total.
Alna	9	1	10
Bristol	5	6	11
Damariscotta	1	.....	1
Edgecomb	4	3	7
Farmingdale	1	.....	1
Gardiner	14	1	15
Mercer	.....	12	12
Nobleboro'	2	.....	2
Sidney	1	13	14
Starks	1	.....	1
Thomaston	1	.....	1
Winthrop	2	.....	2
Total	41	36	77

Statement of Credits of Naval enlistments apportioned to the several towns and plantations specified, from the General Credits of same to the State.

THIRD DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWN.	Number.
KENNEBEC.	
Belgrade	1
Benton	1
Farmingdale	1
Hallowell	2
Pittston	1
Rome	1
Winthrop	11
Sidney	2
Monmouth	6
Total	26
KNOX.	
Washington	2
Matinicus Isle	1
Muscle Ridge	1
Total	4
LINCOLN.	
Boothbay	3
Bristol	10
Somerville	2
Southport	1
Waldoboro'	1
Westport	1
Monhegan	1
Total	19
SOMERSET.	
Brighton	3
Cambridge	2
Harmony	5
Concord	4
Lexington	3
Madison	5
Norridgewock	12
Starks	14
Ripley	3
Carratunk	2
Skowhegan	5
Total	58
RECAPITULATION.	
Kennebec County	26
Knox County	4
Lincoln County	19
Somerset County	58
Total	107

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Official, THOMAS M. VINCENT, Ass't. Adjutant General.

NAVAL CREDITS OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT OF MAINE.

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TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro.Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Acton	1	3	.....	4
Abbott	1	.....	.....	1
Amity	.....	.....	.....	.....
Argyle	.....	.....	.....	.....
Atkinson	1	.....	.....	1
Ashland	1	.....	.....	1
Bangor	75	6	.....	81

Naval Credits Fourth District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Barnard				
Bridgewater				
Bradford	1	2		3
Bowerbank				
Bradley	2	2		4
Blanchard				
Brewer	6	12		18
Brownville				
Burlington				
Carmel	4	3		7
Carroll	1			1
Charleston	3			3
Chester				
Clifton				
Corinna				
Corinth	3	8		11
Dexter		3		3
Dover	1			1
Dixmont	1	5		6
Eddington	1	1		2
Edinburgh				
Enfield				
Etna	2			2
Exeter	1	1		2
Foxcroft		3		3
Fort Fairfield				
Garland	2			2
Glenburn				
Greenbush				
Greenville				
Greenfield				
Guilford				
Hampden	26	9		35
Hodgdon				
Herman		1		1
Houlton		1		1
Holden	2			2
Howland				
Hudson				
Kenduskeag		3		3
Kingsbury	1			1
Lagrange				
Lee				
Levant		2		2
Linneus				
Lincoln		1		1
Littleton				
Lowell	1	2		3
Lyndon		1		1
Mattawamkeag	2			2
Maxfield				
Medford				
Milo		1		1
Monticello				
Milford				
Monson				
Masardis				
Maysville				
Newburg	3			3
New Limerick				

Naval Credits Fourth District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Newport	2			2
Oldtown		4		4
Orneville	1			1
Orono				
Orient				
Orrington	5	2		7
Passadumkeag				
Parkman				
Patten				
Plymouth				
Prentiss	1			1
Presque Isle				1
Springfield		1		1
Sangerville	1			
Sebec				
Shirley				
Stetson				
Smyrna				
Sherman				
Veazie	1			1
Winn		1		1
Wellington				
Williamsburg				
Weston				
Washburn				
Benedicta plantation				
Buchanan plantation				
Bancroft plantation				
Barker plantation				
Belfast Academy Grant plantation				
Chesuncook plantation				
Crystal plantation				
Dion plantation				
Dyer Brook plantation				
Dayton plantation				
Drew plantation				
Daigle plantation				
Eagle Lake plantation				
Eaton plantation				
Elliottsville plantation				
Fort Kent plantation				
Fremont plantation				
Forestville plantation				
Greenwood plantation				
Grant Isle plantation				
Golden Ridge plantation				
Haynesville plantation				
Hamlin plantation				
Island Falls plantation				
Katadin Iron Works plantation				
Levant plantation				
Letter "A" plantation				
Letter "B," R. 1, plantation				
Limestone plantation				
Macwahoc plantation				
Madawaska				
Mapleton plantation				
Merrill plantation				
Moluncus plantation				
Moro plantation				

Naval Credits Fourth District,—Continued.

TOWFS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Mattamiscontis plantation				
Medway plantation				
Mt. Crillis plantation				
Monterey plantation				
Nashville plantation				
No. 1, So. Division				
No. 2, Grand Falls				
No. 4, R. 1				
No 2, R. 5				
No. 3, R. 5				
No. 6, R. 9				
No. 1, R. 4, plantation				
No. 6, R. 5, plantation				
No. 11, R. 1, plantation				
No. 9, R. 6, plantation				
Pattagumpus plantation				
Portage Lake plantation				
Reed plantation				
Rockabema plantation				
Sarsfield plantation				
St. John plantation				
St. Francis plantation				
Van Buren plantation				
Wallagrass plantation				
Webster plantation				
Woodville plantation				
Woodland plantation				
Westfield plantation		1		1
Mt. Chase				
Whitney Ridge				
Total	153	79		232

Additional Naval Credits since August 24, 1864, allowed by "Commission" to and including September 5, 1864, exclusive of any recent enlistments included in returns to the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General.

FOURTH DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWNS.	Additional Credits.	Allowed from Gen'l Credit of State.	Total.
Bangor	6		6
Brewer	3		3
Carmel	2		2
Etna	2		2
Hampden	2		2
Orrington	5		5
Passadumkeag	1		1
Winn	1		1
Total	22		22

Statement of Credits of Naval Enlistments apportioned to the several town and plantations specified from the General Credit of same to the State.

FOURTH DISTRICT OF MAINE.

TOWN.	Number.	TOWN.	Number.
AROOSTOOK.		PENOBSCOT.	
Amity	1	Alton	1
Alleguash plantation	1	Argyle	1
Bridgewater	1	Bradley	1
Bancroft	1	Burlington	4
Belfast	2	Carmel	1
Crystal plantation	1	Enfield	2
Fort Kent	1	Etna	3
Fremont	1	Greenbush	2
Forrestville	1	Howland	1
Grant Isle	1	Hudson	1
Hodgdon	2	Lee	2
Hamlin	1	Levant	12
Haynesville	1	Lowell	2
Island Falls	1	Maxfield	1
Linneus	1	Milford	2
Littleton	1	Passadumkeag	2
Lyndon	1	Prentiss	1
Leavit plantation	1	Springfield	2
Limestone	1	Winn	1
Letter "R," R. 2	1	Mattawamkeag	1
Merrill	1	Garland	2
Macwahoc	1		
Marsardis	1	Total	45
Monticello	2		
Mapleton	2	PISCATAQUIS.	
New Limerick	2	Bowberbank	1
No. 11, R. 1	1	Blanchard	1
No. 15, R. 7	1	Medford	1
No. 5, R. 3	1	Monson	2
No. 9, R. 6	1	Kingsbury	1
No. 18, R. 10	1	Shirley	1
No. 9, R. 5	1	Wellington	1
No. 16, R. 10	1	Williamsburg	1
No. 7, R. 11	1		
Orient	1	Total	9
Presque Isle	1		
Reed plantation	1	RECAPITULATION.	
Smyrna	2	Aroostook County	55
Sarsfield	1	Penobscot County	45
Sherman	2	Piscataquis County	9
Weston	1		
Washburn	1	Total	109
Wallagrass plantation	1		
Letter "B," Alva	4		
Westfield	1		
Total	55		

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Official, THOMAS M. VINCENT, Ass't Adjutant General.

NAVAL CREDITS OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT OF MAINE.

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TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro.Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Addison	5	.....	.....	5
Amherst	.....	.....	.....	.....
Appleton	1	.....	.....	1
Alexander	.....	.....	.....	.....
Aurora	.....	.....	.....	.....
Baileysville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belfast	46	8	.....	54
Bluehill	2	3	.....	5
Baring	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beddington	.....	.....	.....	.....
Belmont	2	.....	.....	2
Brooklyn	8	.....	.....	8
Brooks	2	.....	.....	2
Brooksville	5	.....	.....	5
Burnham	1	.....	.....	1
Bucksport	15	.....	.....	15
Calais	7	.....	.....	7
Castine	22	.....	.....	22
Centerville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cranberry Isle	3	.....	.....	3
Charlotte	.....	.....	.....	.....
Camden	21	.....	.....	21
Cherryfield	3	.....	.....	3
Columbia	4	.....	.....	4
Columbia Falls	3	.....	.....	3
Cooper	2	.....	.....	2
Crawford	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cutler	3	.....	.....	3
Danforth	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deblois	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deer Isle	8	.....	.....	8
Dennysville	4	.....	.....	4
Dedham	1	.....	.....	1
East Machias	4	2	.....	6
Eastbrook	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eastport	87	.....	.....	87
Eden	9	2	.....	11
Ellsworth	17	14	.....	31
Edmunds	1	.....	.....	1
Frankfort	14	.....	.....	14
Freedom	1	.....	.....	1
Franklin and plantation No. 10	3	.....	.....	3
Gouldsboro'	8	1	.....	9
Harrington	7	1	.....	8
Hancock	5	.....	.....	5
Hope	.....	.....	.....	.....
Islesborough	4	.....	.....	4
Jonesborough	2	.....	.....	2
Jackson	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jonesport	10	7	.....	17
Knox	1	.....	.....	1
Lubec	36	.....	.....	36
Liberty	1	.....	.....	1

Naval Credits Fifth District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro.Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Totol.
Lincolnville	7	.....	.....	7
Machias	9	.....	.....	9
Munroe	3	.....	.....	3
Machiasport	7	.....	.....	7
Montville	2	1	.....	3
Marion	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morrill	4	1	.....	5
Marshfield	.....	1	.....	1
Mariaville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Meddybemps	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Desert	13	1	.....	14
Millbridge	13	.....	.....	13
Northfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northport	2	.....	.....	2
North Haven	11	1	.....	12
Orland	27	4	.....	31
Otis	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pembroke	17	5	.....	22
Palermo	17	1	.....	18
Perry	18	.....	.....	18
Prospect	7	.....	.....	7
Princeton	2	.....	.....	2
Penobscot	8	3	.....	11
Robbinston	6	.....	.....	6
Rockland	53	49	.....	102
Searsmont	1	.....	.....	1
Searsport	27	.....	.....	27
Steuben	.....	1	.....	1
Stockton	14	1	.....	15
Swanville	4	.....	.....	4
Sedgwick	14	.....	.....	14
Sullivan	2	2	.....	4
Surry	10	.....	2	12
South Thomaston	9	1	.....	10
Topsfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thorndike	1	.....	.....	1
Tremont	19	.....	.....	19
Trescott	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy	1	2	.....	3
Trenton	12	.....	.....	12
Unity	1	.....	.....	1
Vinalhaven	18	.....	.....	18
Verona	1	.....	.....	1
Wesley	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waldo	4	.....	.....	4
Whiting	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waltham	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitneyville	1	.....	.....	1
Winterport	9	11	.....	20
Codeyville plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson Brook plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Talmadge plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waite plantation	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 7, R. 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 9, R. 4	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 14	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 18	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 21	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 31	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hog Island	.....	.....	.....	.....

Naval Credits Fifth District,—Continued.

TOWNS.	Credits as per enrolment.	Credits claimed by towns, and certified by Pro. Mar'ls.	Recent enlistments not heretofore credited.	Total.
Long Island	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swan Island	2	.....	.....	2
No. 7	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 27, Middle Division	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 33, Middle Division	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	754	123	2	879

Additional Naval Credits returned since August 24, 1864, allowed by "Commission" to and including September 5, 1864, exclusive of any recent enlistments included in returns to the Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General.

Fifth District of Maine.

TOWNS.	Additional Credits.	Allowed from Gen'l Credit of State.	Total.
Brooks	1	.....	1
Brooksville	1	.....	1
Cherryfield	1	.....	1
Hancock	.....	1	1
Harrington	1	.....	1
Isleboro'	2	.....	2
Lincolnville	1	.....	1
Lubec	3	.....	3
Robbinston	1	.....	1
Total	11	1	12

Statement of Credits of Naval Enlistments apportioned to the several towns and plantations specified from the General Credits of same to the State.

Fifth District of Maine.

TOWN.	Number.	TOWN.	Number.
Hancock.		Knox.	
Amherst	1	Appleton	1
Aurora	2	Vinalhaven	1
Mariaville	1		
Orland	1	Total	2
Otis	1		
Fremont	1	Waldo.	
Waltham	1	Belfast	4
Wetmore Isle	1	Jackson	1
No. 7	1	Thorndike	2
No. 33, Middle Division	1	Palermo	1
		Prospect	1
Total	11	Searsmont	1

Naval Enlistments,—Continued.

TOWN.	Number.	TOWN.	Number.
Lincolnville	1	Jackson Brook	1
		Talmadge plantation	1
Total	11	Waite plantation	1
WASHINGTON.		Total	11
Beddington	1		
Charlotte	1	RECAPITULATION.	
Perry	1	Hancock County	11
Princeton	1	Knox County	2
Robbinston	1	Waldo County	11
Topsfield	1	Washington County	11
Wesley	1		
Whiting	1	Total	35

War Department, Adj. General's Office, Washington, D. C., October 26, 1870.

Official, THOMAS M. VINCENT, Ass't Adjutant General.

Original draft of a letter to the Navy Department sent through Gov. Chamberlain November 19, 1870.

The names contained in the accompanying schedule are deemed to be the names of men enlisted into the marine corps of the United States, *at the marine barracks within the District of Columbia* during the war of the rebellion. They are also claimed to be the names of persons who have no residence or domicile within any State of the United States. They appear to have been allowed to be credited to the towns in Maine stated in said schedule, under some order or sanction of the War or Provost Marshal's office.

We desire information from the proper bureau of the Navy Department upon the following points:

1st. Were persons of those names actually enlisted in the Marine Corps, in the District of Columbia, *or elsewhere in the United States*, and if so, what are the dates of their enlistment?

2d. Does it appear from the muster rolls that such persons were aliens, or had no residence in any State of the United States?

3d. Can any order or regulation be found under which several hundred of these marine enlistments were credited to Maine, or to districts or sub-districts of Maine?

4th. Were similar general credits of this class of men given to other States, and if so, upon what rule or principle they were distributed as above said?

5th. Under what, if any, requisition, sanction, or consent of the proper authorities, were recruiting agents or other officials or persons allowed to have of the muster rolls of this class of men in the marine corps, and to sell them to brokers or the agents of towns to be allowed in lieu of volunteers or drafted men on any quota of such towns?

It will promote the public objects for which these inquiries are made if they can be answered with the least possible delay.

[*Endorsement on the foregoing.*]

I am sorry the letter has been delayed. It is true we have no proof that the men were enlisted in the District of Columbia, but it is probable they were, otherwise the list would not have been found there, and it is only because the men did not belong to any State, that they were sold to brokers. I have made some alterations. Let it go soon as possible. G. F. T.

[NOTE. The foregoing and following letters appear to be identical except as to those parts which I have put in italics.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of Senate.]

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24th, 1870,
Augusta, November 19, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—The names contained in the accompanying schedule are deemed to be the names of men enlisted into the marine corps of the United States, during the war of the rebellion. *A list of them, said to be signed by a lieutenant at the marine barracks in Washington, was brought to Maine by a broker and sold for a large price to substitute brokers to be sold again to towns.* They are also claimed to be the names of persons who had no residence or domicile within any State of the United States. They appear to have been allowed to be credited to the towns in Maine stated in said schedule, under some order or sanction of the War or Provost Marshal's office.

We desire information from the proper bureau of the Navy Department upon the following points:

1st. Were persons of those names actually enlisted in the Marine Corps, *at the marine barracks or elsewhere*, in the District of Columbia, and if so, what are the dates of their enlistment? *If not found to be enlisted in the District of Columbia, were persons of these names enlisted into the marine corps anywhere in the United States?*

2d. Does it appear from the muster rolls that such persons were aliens, or had no residence in any State of the United States?

3d. Can any order or regulation be found under which several hundred of these marine enlistments were credited to Maine, or to districts or sub-districts of Maine?

4th. Were similar general credits of this class of men given to other States, and if so, upon what rule or principle were they distributed as above said?

5th. Under what, if any, requisition, sanction, or consent of the proper authorities, were recruiting agents or other officials or persons allowed to have control of the muster rolls of this class of men in the marine corps, and to sell them to brokers or the agents of towns to be allowed in lieu of volunteers or drafted men on any quotas of such towns?

It will promote the public objects for which these inquiries are made if they can be answered with the least possible delay.

The information asked here is not in lieu of, but in addition to that asked for in our communication of September 3d, 1870.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

GEORGE F. TALBOT,
A. SANBORN,
SELDEN CONNOR,
} Commissioners.

The schedule sent with letter to Gov. Chamberlain of November 19, 1870, was of the following form:

The information contained in the following schedule is based upon certificates from the records of the A. A. P. M. G. and Provost Marshals of the State of Maine.

Name.	Branch of service.	Where credited.
Michael M. Mulhan	Marine corps.	Alna, 3d District.
John Maxwell	do.	do.
Patrick Kearney	do.	do.
Richard Missett	do.	do.
Robert McKenney	do.	do.
Michael McLuad	do.	do.
William Weason	do.	Andover, 2d District
John Terry	do.	do.
Christopher Lutz	do.	do.
John Lynch	do.	do.
William Barry	do.	do.
John Kelley	do.	Anson, 3d District.
Alfred A. Thatcher	do.	do.
Edwin G. Hoyt	do.	do.
Patrick Train	do.	do.
Andrew W. Anderson	do.	do.
George W. Brown	do.	do.
George K. Bartel	do.	Athens, 3d District.
William Williams, (or Nellins)	do.	do.
Henry R. Kepp	do.	do.
William H. Adams	do.	do.
Thomas McHam	do.	do.
Thomas V. Darling	do.	do.

STATE OF MAINE.

Executive Department, Augusta, Nov. 26, 1870.

To Hon. Commissioners of Investigation, &c.:

Gentlemen:—Your list of "names of men enlisted into the marine corps," has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Navy, with the requests stated by you, endorsed by me as deserving as prompt and complete answers as the records of the Department will permit. I expect an immediate reply, which will be at once transmitted to you.

Truly yours,

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, November 30th, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine, Brunswick, Me.:

Sir:—The undersigned, Commissioners appointed under resolves of the Legislature of this State "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government for men not actually put into the service," respectfully represent:

That it has become apparent that Joseph H. Manley, Esq., of Augusta, a citizen of this State, is an important witness, without whose testimony they cannot complete thoroughly the investigation required by said resolves; that said Manley is an officer of the United States connected with the Internal Revenue Bureau, and, as they believe, is now absent in one of the Western States employed in the discharge of the duties of said office;

Wherefore, they desire that a request, properly sanctioned by yourself, be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary of the Treasury, that, if not prejudicial to the public service, the said Manley may be temporarily relieved and ordered to to report himself immediately after receipt of said order at Augusta, in the State of Maine, for the purpose of there giving his testimony before the said Commissioners touching the matters embraced in their said investigations.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

(Signed) GEORGE F. TALBOT,
(Signed) A. SANBORN, } Commissioners.
(Signed) SELDEN CONNOR,

Navy Department, Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting,
Washington, December 14, 1870.

Sir:—The Bureau respectfully returns herewith the list forwarded by you to the Honorable Secretary of the Navy on the 7th September last, and referred to in your communication of the 4th October, 1870,—having noted against the several names, as far as possible, the data furnished by its records covering the years 1864 and 1865, during which period credits were made for enlistments in the navy; also, the information, as far as possible, concerning those men whose alleged dates of enlistment are furnished, very few of whom appear to have enlisted in the navy on the dates mentioned.

It will be observed by the list, that a large number of men having similar names are reported on the records, and where more than two or three have been found, the Bureau has omitted to note their several dates of enlistment, &c., in consequence of the difficulty in identifying the men. It is impossible to tell the present whereabouts of any of them. The information noted against the names marked with a cross, has been furnished by the Commandant of the Marine Corps, this Bureau having no cognizance of that branch of the service.

Very respectfully, your obd't serv't, WM. REYNOLDS,* Chief of Bureau.

To his Excellency Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor,
State of Maine, Augusta, Me.

[NOTE.—For the list referred to in the foregoing communication, see Appendix K, Schedule C.—SAM'L W. LANE, Sec'y of the Senate.]

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* Or Reynop, see page 397.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

Headquarters, Marine Corps, Washington, D. C.,
20th December, 1870.

The Hon. Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.

Sir:—The enclosed communications are herewith respectfully returned.

The information asked as to whether the men named in the schedule were "aliens or residents of the different States," as far as can be ascertained is set opposite each man's name, with date and place of enlistment. Beyond the enlistments of the first part of the year 1864, there is nothing at headquarters to show how or where men enlisted in the marine corps were credited, as by an order of the Secretary of the Navy, dated Navy Department, July 23, 1864, to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, he was ordered to "direct the respective recruiting officers of the Marine Corps to report to the Acting Assis't Provost Marshals General of States after August 1, 1864, on the 10th, 20th, and the last day of each month all enlistments made by them during the previous ten days." The muster rolls of the marine corps are under the charge of the commanding officers of stations, receiving ships and rendezvous, and the Adjutant and Inspector's office at headquarters. No recruiting agent or person, other than those employed as clerks in the above named offices could have had control of or access to them. As to whether credits similar to these alleged to have been allowed in Maine were allowed in other States, this information can only be obtained from the War Department, under whose direction the entire recruiting service was conducted.

By direction of the Brig. General and Commandant,

AUG. S. NICHOLSON, Major U. S. M. Corps,
Adjutant and Inspector.

Navy Department, Washington, 22d December, 1870.

His Excellency J. L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—I am directed by the Secretary of the Navy to return herewith the list enclosed by you on the 26th ultimo, accompanying the request of the Commissioners of Investigation of the State of Maine, for information as to the enlistment and service in the Marine Corps of men named thereon. The information requested is given upon the list as far as possible. I beg leave, also, to enclose a copy of a communication from the Adjutant and Inspector of the Marine Corps, to whom the papers were referred.

Very Respectfully,

HOLMES E. OFFLEY, Chief Clerk.

[NOTE.—For the list referred to in the foregoing communications, see Appendix K, Schedule D.—SAMUEL W. LANE, Sec'y of the Senate.]

Washington, D. C., Thursday, 12 M., December 22, 1870.

Mr. Talbot:—On receipt of your favor of Tuesday last, this morning, I immediately sent a messenger to the Navy Department for information in the premises. Within please find the answer.

Very hastily, J. G. BLAINE.

Navy Department, Washington, 22d December, 1870, 11 A.M.

Sir:—In answer to your inquiry, this moment received, I have to state that the information to which you refer, and concerning which you had two interviews with the Secretary, was forwarded to His Excellency, Governor Chamberlain under date of December 14th. I cannot understand why the enclosure should have failed to reach the Governor. Some additional papers just received from the Commandant of the Marine Corps will be forwarded to the Governor to-day.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obd't Serv't,
HOLMES E. OFFLEY, Chief Clerk.

Hon. James G. Blaine, Speaker, &c., 821 15th St.

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, Me., December 27th, 1870.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain:

Sir:—The Commission appointed by you under the Resolves of the Legislature of Maine to "investigate charges against towns," &c., &c., &c., find it necessary, in prosecuting said investigations, to ascertain how many men were recruited and mustered in, and assigned upon the quotas of districts and subdistricts in the State of Maine, in the District of Columbia, or at Camp Barry by recruiting agents for Maine under order of the War Department, No. 227, issued July 9, 1864. They therefore respectfully request that a communication be addressed to the Hon. Secretary of War, requesting a transcript of the records or rolls in the War Department of the names of all enlisted or re-enlisted soldiers *who were mustered into the service* of the United States within the District of Columbia or at Camp Barry, who were assigned upon the quotas of Maine *during the months of August and September,* 1864, together with the date of enlistment and of muster, and (if the records show such facts) the place of residence of each soldier, the company and regiment in which he had previously served, and the recruiting agent by whom or for whom he was enlisted.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servants,
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STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, January 2, 1871.

Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—In the communication from the Navy Department under date of December 14th, 1870, to you, and by you referred to us, it is stated by the Chief of Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting that the "Bureau respectfully returns herewith the list forwarded by you to the Hon. Secretary of the Navy on the 7th September last, and referred to in your communication of the 4th October, 1870, having noted against the several names, as far as possible, the

* No signature.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

data furnished by its records covering the years 1864 and 1865, during which period credits were made for enlistments in the navy; also the information, as far as possible, concerning those men whose alleged dates of enlistment are furnished, very few of whom appear to have enlisted in the navy on the dates mentioned."

From this statement we understand that no examination was made to ascertain whether the men, other than those enlisted during the years 1864 and 1865 and those of whose enlistments we had furnished data, ever enlisted or served in the navy or not. It is a vital point of our inquiry to ascertain whether all or any of the men, credits for whom were sold to towns in Maine, were real men in the service of the United States, or only fictitious names. We have therefore transcribed from the list all the names of men claimed to have been in the navy except those against which remarks were inserted while it was in Washington, and those whose alleged dates of enlistment were given when the list was last sent to the Navy Department, and we respectfully request that this list, so transcribed, be returned to that department for the purpose of having the date and place of enlistment set against each name, if shown by any roll, paper or record in the Navy Department.

Please also request from the same department a statement as to whether or not the men in the navy, against whose names entries of the time and place of enlistment—all being in the years 1864 and 1865—were made on the list when returned to us, appear to have been credited to districts and sub-districts in Maine; or, if not so credited to Maine, whether or not they were credited to the place or State wherein they were enlisted.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servants,

(Signed) GEORGE F. TALBOT,
(Signed) A. SANBORN, } Commissioners.
(Signed) SELDEN CONNOR,

STATE OF MAINE.

Commission of Investigation,
Appointed under Resolves of March 24, 1870,
Augusta, January 6, 1871.

Hon. Sidney Perham, Governor of Maine:

Sir:—Testimony taken by the Commission appointed under resolves of March 24th, 1870, "to investigate in a thorough manner all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns by the State and general government for men not actually put into the service," proves that certain lists of men purporting to be in the marine corps and naval service of the United States, were authorized by Provost Marshal General Fry to be credited to districts and sub districts in Maine during the years 1864 and 1865. These lists, or copies thereof, are believed to be among the records of the A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine—which records are now in Washington, D. C.—or the records of Provost Marshal General Fry.

It is material that the Commission be furnished with authenticated copies of these lists and all correspondence relative thereto—whether by mail, telegraph or otherwise—between Provost Marshal General Fry and the A. A. Provost

Marshal General of Maine; and we respectfully request that a requisition be made upon the Secretary of War for such duly authenticated copies.

One of the lists of which we desire copies is referred to in the enclosed copy of a copy of a communication from Provost Marshal General James B. Fry to Maj. Robert M. Littler, A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine, which copy is now on file in the office of the Adjutant General of Maine.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) GEORGE F. TALBOT,
(Signed) SELDON CONNOR, } Commissioners.

[NOTE. For reply to the foregoing see Appendix G.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.]

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Office,
Washington, D. C., December 10, 1864.

Major Robert M. Littler, V. R. C.,
Acting Ass't Provost Marshal General, Augusta, Me.:

Major:—I enclose herewith papers setting forth a claim for credit for two hundred and fifty-one (251) naval recruits shipped by John P. Heath, together with his authority to enlist these men. This case is peculiar and *special*. Governor Cony and yourself are hereby authorized to adjust *these credits*, under the same rules laid down in my letter of July 9th, 1864, to Governor Cony and Major Gardiner, appointing them a Commission to ascertain what naval credits the State of Maine was entitled to.

I am, Major, Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Official copy. (Signed) JAMES B. FRY,
(Signed) Theo. McMartin, Provost Marshal General.
Capt. Vet. Res. Corps.

Navy Department, Washington, January 12, 1871.

Sir:—I deem it proper to inform you that the Chief of the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting states to me that owing to the limited clerical force allowed by law to the Bureau, the enlistment records and other records are much behindhand, so much so that it would seriously interfere with the transaction of the absolutely necessary current business to detail any part of the force to prosecute the very tedious examination required to procure the data asked for by the committee of your legislature. Similar calls have reached the Department from other States, and though the Department has endeavored to comply with their requests, it finds it impracticable to further set aside the accomplishment of the ordinary current business. In the case of one of the States, two persons were appointed by it to search the records for the history of its enlisted men, and I beg respectfully to suggest that such a course on the part of Maine would remove all difficulty in the way of obtaining at an early day the information desired.

I have the honor to be, Very Respectfully,
Your Obd't Serv't,
GEO. M. ROBESON, Secretary of the Navy.

His Excellency, J. L. Chamberlain,
Governor of Maine, Augusta, Me.

APPENDIX G.

COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE

Between the Naval Commission and A. A. Provost Marshal General of Maine with the Provost Marshal General of the U. S.

[NOTE. The Commissioners on "Paper Credits" evidently refer, in Appendix A, item 6, of their report—see page 37—to the copies of papers accompanying the following letter; yet it is plain the letter and accompanying documents could not have been in the possession of the Commission at the time of writing said item 6. Their report was sent to the Senate on the 18th of January, 1871, and the letter bears date of 19th January, 1871. See also report of Select Committee of the Senate, page 40.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of the Senate.]

[*Reply to Communication of January* 6, 1871, *see page* 422.]

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

To the Governor of the State of Maine, Augusta.

Sir:—Referring to your letter of the 6th inst., transmitting the request of the Commission "appointed to investigate all matters in relation to credits allowed on the quotas of towns, &c., for men not actually put into service" for authenticated copies of "lists of men purporting to be in the Marine Corps and Naval Service of the United States, authorized by Provost Marshal General Fry to be credited to districts and sub-districts in Maine during the years 1864 and 1865, and all correspondence relative thereto," I have in reply to inform you that the only men purporting to be in the Marine Corps and Naval Service which were ordered to be credited to Maine by the Provost Marshal General United States are a list of marines forwarded to Major Littler, November 28, 1864, with instructions to "credit to the several districts of Maine, provided they had not been previously credited," (see letter from Major Littler, A. A. P. M. G., dated February 18, 1865), and a list of 251 men enlisted in the naval service which was sent to the A. A. P. M. G. of Maine by letter from the Pro. Mar. Gen. United States, dated December 10, 1864.

All the correspondence, by letter and telegraph, connected with the "list of

Naval Credits" is transmitted herewith. In relation to the "list of Marines" ordered to be credited November 28, 1864, there is no correspondence on the files of this office, other than that contained in letter of Major Littler of Feb. 18, 1865, previously quoted. The *lists of names* mentioned are not on file in this office, nor of that of the late A. A. P. M. General for Maine. As these credits were distributed to sub-districts by the then Adjutant General of your State, it is believed that the lists of names are now on file with his records.

I am, Sir, Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
E. D. Townsend, Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., July 23d, 1864.

Maj. J. W. T. Gardiner,
A. A. Provost Marhal General, Augusta, Me.:

Major:—The Provost Marshal General directs me to forward you a list of men borne on the enrolment lists, as returned to this office prior to February 24th, 1864, as being in the navy at time of enrolment, who have been already credited to the State of Maine pursuant to section 2, amendatory act. This list is forwarded to you as Commissioner representing the United States in giving credits for seamen under section 8 of enrolment act, approved July 4, 1864, to guard you against duplicating credits.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) T. A. Dodge,
Capt. V. R. C., in charge Enrolment Bureau.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., September 1st, 1864.

(Original by telegraph.)
Major J. W. T. Gardiner,
A. A. Provost Marshal General, Augusta, Me.:

On examination of the records of the Navy Department, I find that only one hundred and fifty-eight (158) men have been enlisted in the State of Maine during the rebellion. I desire to call your attention to this fact.

(Signed) James B. Fry.
Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Ass't Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 2d, 1864.

General:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 1st inst., relative to the "naval credits" of this State, and to say in reply that the names of those thus credited are borne upon the enrolment lists of the several districts of this State, and are certified to by the provost marshals as in the naval service since the commencement of the "rebellion," with the exception of those claimed as "general credits," whose names are borne on the lists of the several receiving ships as enlisted from the State of Maine.

I am, General,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) J. W. T. GARDINER,
Major and A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Brig. General James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Office,
Washington, D. C., December 10, 1864.

Major R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen'l, Augusta, Maine.

Major:—I enclose herewith papers setting forth a claim for credit for two hundred and fifty-one (251) Naval Credits, shipped by Jno. P. Heath, together with his authority to enlist these men. This case is peculiar and *special.*

Governor Cony and yourself are hereby authorized to adjust these credits under the same rules laid down in my letters of July 9, 1864, to Governor Cony and Major Gardiner, appointing them a Commission to ascertain what Naval Credits the State of Maine was entitled to.

I am, Major, Very Respectfully,
Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., December 20, 1864.

(Original by telegraph.)

Major R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen'l, Augusta, Me.:

What have you done about the Naval Credits sent you on the tenth instant for adjustment. They must be settled immediately. Inform me.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Office Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., 21st December, 1864.

General:—I have the honor to report, in answer to your telegram of 20th inst., asking what had been done towards the adjustment of the list of Naval Credits sent to me, that immediately upon the receipt of the communication appointing the Governor and myself a Commission to adjust the credits claimed, I consulted with the Governor, and with his advice and consent sent an agent (at the expense of the State) to compare the list with the records of naval rendezvous at Boston, Mass., where the men are claimed to have been enlisted and mustered in for the quota of Maine. The reason for this action is this: similar lists of names have been sent to this office, claiming credits for men in the naval service, lists numbering from 25 to 200, and in many cases by investigation attempts at fraud discovered, and the credits disallowed. The list sent me contained 251 names, and to have been enlisted for the quota of Maine, the only proof of which, is the affidavit of Mr. Heath, who is personally unknown to me. Therefore, in order that these men should not be credited twice, and to prevent fraud, the Commission saw no more expeditious method to adjust the matter with justice to all parties, than to send an agent to the naval rendezvous to ascertain the *facts* from the commanding officer at that post. Everything has been done consistent with accuracy and with a view to the proper adjustment of these credits, and the report of the Commission will be forwarded at the earliest date after its completion. If desirable that this and similar lists be credited to the State at large it can be very readily done.

I am, General, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) R. M. Littler, Major V. R. C.,
A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Brig. Gen'l James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Assistant Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., December 22, 1864.

(Original by telegraph.)

Major R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen'l, Augusta, Me.:

Why don't you answer my telegram of the twentieth (20), about the Naval Credits? Do so immediately.

(Signed) James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. *
Assistant Adjutant General.

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* No signature.—S. W. Lane, Secretary of the Senate.

Copy of telegram. (Provost Marshal General's Office.)

Office U. S. Military Telegraph, War Department.

The following telegram received at Washington, 1: 50 P.M., Dec. 22, 1864.

From Augusta. December 22, 1864.

Brig. Gen. James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General.

Your telegram of twentieth, as to Naval Credits, answered same day as follows: Commission to have naval enlistments properly credited, have sent an agent, expense of State, to navy yard, Boston, to obtain residence, &c., of men on list sent. Particulars by mail yesterday.

(Signed) R. M. Littler, Major and A. A. P. M. G.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., December 23d, 1864.

General:—I have the honor to report relative to the adjustment of lists of naval credits sent me December 10th, '64, that I called upon Adjutant General Hodsdon, and also upon Gov. Cony immediately upon the receipt of the list of names. It was suggested by Gov. Cony that the State should send an agent to the receiving ship in Boston harbor to obtain the place of residence of the men named on the list. As the Governor had had similar lists to dispose of, and the last list sent being referred to a Commission, consisting of Gov. Cony and myself, I consented to the proposition of Gov. Cony.

I yesterday called upon the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State in relation to the matter. Gov. Cony, who has been an invalid for the last two months, said that as soon as he could he would at attend to it.

I would respectfully state that over twelve hundred names have been presented by different parties, claiming that the men are now in the navy, and should be credited to towns in this State.

In order to do justice to all parties, and to prevent the men being credited twice if credited at all, it is necessary that a thorough investigation should be made, which is the cause of the delay in sending the report.

I am, General,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) R. M. Littler,
Major V. R. C., A. A. Provost Marshal General.

Brig. General James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., December 23d, 1864.

(Original by telegraph.)

Major Robert M. Littler,
A. A. Provost Marshal General, Augusta, Me.:

Your report as to naval credits has not been received. Send it immediately that the whole business of the draft under the July call may be closed up.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., January 11, 1865.

(Original by telegraph.)

Major R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. Gen'l, Augusta, Me.:

I have received no report of the Naval Credits sent you on tenth (10) December, for adjustment. The matter must be wound up at once. Send report.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. *
Assistant Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 12, 1865.

Brig. Gen'l James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

General:—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your telegram of this day, calling for report of the Naval Credits sent me December 10th for adjustment, and to report, that on the 21st day of December I forwarded a communication explaining the cause of delay in making the report, and on December 24th, in answer to your telegram on the same subject, I sent the following telegram: "The Commission has directed the list of Naval Credits, forwarded on the 10th inst., to be placed to the general credit of the State. They will be assigned to the sub-districts with as little delay as possible." In accordance with the above decision, the list of Naval Credits is being adjusted, and the men assigned to sub-districts by the Adjutant General of the State as rapidly as possible, and a report will be made at the earliest moment after the distri-

* No signature.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

bution of the credits. I regret that my communications on this subject have not reached you, and hope that it will not occur again.

I am, General, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) R. M. Littler, Major V. R. C.,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. Thomas M. Vincent,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 13, 1865.

Brig. Gen'l James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

General:—His Excellency, Governor Cony, has submitted to me an official communication, addressed to him by Capt. Greene and Lieut. Hawley, U. S. Navy, commander and executive officer of the U. S. Receiving Ship Ohio, stationed since the rebellion began at Charlestown, Mass.

These naval officers certify to the reception on board of their ship of some thirteen hundred and fifty men, believed to belong in Maine, in addition to the two hundred and fifty-one which have already been placed to the general credit of Maine for enlistments on some receiving ship. In accordance with the original directions from your office, the greater part of these men were credited to the States where their enlistment took place, but it is believed that some three hundred and fifty, regularly enlisted in Maine, have never yet been credited to this State. Inasmuch as no receiving ship has ever been in Maine, except during a very brief period in the summer of 1864, it was necessary that those enlisting in the navy from this State should report to Charlestown or Brooklyn, and it is a well established and conceded fact that a large number of bona fide residents of Maine now serving in the navy have been credited to other States. While it is impracticable to reverse or correct this, the fact itself affords good ground for dealing generously with Maine in crediting the actual enlistments of her own citizens not heretofore credited to other States after the time for such credits has expired.

After consultation with the Governor, I have the honor to suggest, that the Commission be allowed to consider the case submitted in the communication of Capt. Greene and Lieut. Hawley, with power to assign to the general credit of Maine such men as may be found to have enlisted within this State not heretofore credited upon its quota or upon the quota of any other State. The Governor agrees with me that the credits thus obtained may not exceed two hundred, and cannot exceed four hundred and fifty. I may add, that the Governor assures me that this is the last case of naval credits which he will submit to your consideration. Finding the authorities and the people here so patriotically anxious to respond to all calls upon them, I feel the more solicit-

ous that all their reasonable requests should be granted. It is under this feeling that I have ventured to urge this case with such earnestness.

I am, General, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) R. M. LITTLER, Major V. R. C.,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., January 14th, 1865.
(Original by telegraph.)

Maj. R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro.Mar. General, Augusta, Me.:

Send statement of apportionment to districts of two hundred and fifty (250) naval credits, allowed by Commissioners, and their terms of service, by telegraph.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1971.
Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

Copy of telegram. (Provost Marshal General's office.)
Office U. S. Military Telegraph, War Department.

The following telegram received at Washington 9.05 A. M., January 16, 1865.
From Augusta, Me., January 15, 1865.

Brig. Gen. James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General:

The Commission have made the following arrangement of the two hundred and fifty-one (251) naval credits: first district, thirty; second district, one hundred; third district, one hundred; fifth district, twenty-one.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER,
A. A. Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., January 23d, 1865.

Maj. R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. General, Augusta, Me.:

Major:—In reply to your communication of 13th inst., in relation to crediting proportion of thirteen hundred and fifty naval credits contained in list

forwarded you by Commander and Executive officer of Receiving Ship Ohio, Charlestown Navy Yard, to State of Maine, I will say that the subject cannot be re-opened at this time.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., February 13th, 1865.

(Original by telegraph.)

Maj. R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. General, Augusta, Me.:

I am informed that efforts are being made in the State of Maine to secure credits on certificates of naval enlistments; that Pike and Manley, substitute brokers at Augusta, are engaged in it. You will allow no credits except such as are officially reported to you in compliance with circular No. fifty-two (52), Adjutant General's office of eighteen hundred and sixty-four (1864.)

Ascertain whether Pike and Manley have any of those certificates; if so, secure them, and ascertain from the officer in whose name they are given, and ascertain whether they are genuine, and report the facts to this office.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., February 17, 1865.

Brig. Gen'l James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

General:—I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of February 13th, relative to giving credits for naval enlistments, &c., and to report that the provisions of Circular No. 1 of 1865 have been strictly conformed to in giving credits claimed for naval enlistments. Since assuming the duties of this office I have been obliged to exercise constant care and watchfulness, and although fraud has been attempted in several instances it has been detected in time to prevent credits being given on fraudulent claims. No credits have been allowed in the navy aside from *actual* enlistments duly authenticated and forwarded to this office by commanders of naval rendezvous, except the two hundred and fifty-one (251) naval credits which were ordered

to be credited to the State at large, and those were not credited to the State until the matter had been investigated by Col. Hinds, formerly State agent at Washington, who was sent to naval rendezvous at Boston, Mass., and the receiving ship Ohio at Charlestown, Mass. Upon consulting the records at those places satisfactory evidence was produced that the men rightfully belonged and should be credited to the State of Maine. No credits are allowed other than those credited on official reports of enlistments and musters by the officer making the enlistment.

I am, General, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) R. M. LITTLER, Major V. R. C.,
A. A. Pro. Mar. General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

War Department, Provost Marshal General's Bureau,
Washington, D. C., Februray 18, 1865.
(Original by telegraph.)

Major R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. General, Augusta, Me.

My telegram of February thirteenth (13) in regard to Pike & Manley, substitute brokers, requires your prompt attention; report what you have done in regard to it. It is said that the present quota of Maine is being filled to a considerable extent by fraudulent or fictitious credits. You are required to see that such is not the case, and that no credit is allowed except for a man actually put in since the call. It it is said that A. B. Farwell* of Augusta is connected with papers claiming to represent naval enlistments. Let me know if such is the case, but do not arrest him without orders from here.

(Signed) JAMES B. FRY, Provost Marshal General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.
Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Office A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., February 18, 1865.

Brig. Gen'l James B. Fry, Provost Marshal General,
Washington, D. C.

General:—I have the honor to make the following report in reply to your telegrams concerning Messrs. Pike, Manley and Farwell. The absence of Gen. Hodsdon and Mr. Pike occasioned the delay of replying before. Mr. Manley was appointed on behalf of the State, to make the assignment of the 251 naval credits allowed by Commission, and discharged his duty. He has never presented any other credits to this office. He informs me he has no

* See pages 434 and 443.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

papers, and never had any in his possession except those authorized by the State. As I wrote you on the 17th, the Commission did not allow those credits till an agent had been sent to the receiving ship to ascertain the genuineness of the enlistments. He found them correct, examined the records, had the records verified by the executive officer, and in addition found some 300 names of men enlisted from Maine which had not been credited, about which I wrote you on the 13th ultimo, at the suggestion of the Governor, in answer to which I received reply, "the subject would not be re-opened for the present." In relation to the marine credits (with which Mr. Pike, I believe, is connected) the list was certified to by the Inspector General of the Marine Service, giving date and term of enlistment, and certifying that they had never been credited to any State, and was forwarded from your office November 28, 1864, with instructions "to credit them to the several districts of Maine, provided they had not been previously credited." These men were assigned by Adjutant General J. L. Hodsdon; the papers were deposited at the State House,—his absence from the city prevents me from obtaining them. A. B. Farwell* has never presented any papers to my office, or asked for any credits, or transacted any business through my office. I learn upon inquiry that he is now in Washington. Several persons have called at my office with papers, claiming to represent marine enlistments, which I have invariably refused, my endorsement being—"This office has no authority to receive such credits without the approval of the authorities at Washington." I understand that these and similar papers have been taken to other States, with what result I know not. I am aware that much feeling exists in this State, upon which is claimed as facts that numbers of men that rightfully belong to Maine have been credited to other States as naval enlistments. This is accounted for in part, that many of her citizens have been obliged to enlist at Charlestown and other naval rendezvous from force of circumstances. This matter would have been attended to at once had it not been the expected daily arrival of General Hodsdon and Mr. Pike. Hereafter I shall seize all papers presented to my office representing naval or marine credits, and report to you by telegram. In conclusion, I assure you, General, that no credits, with the exception of the two cases referred to above, have been allowed to Maine since I took charge of the office. I shall endeavor in future, as in the past, to strictly comply with all orders and instructions from the War Department.

I am, General, Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER, Major V. R. C.,
A. A. P. M. General.

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1871.

Official copy. THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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* See communication of A. B. Farwell to Portland Advertiser on this point, page 443.

S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

APPENDIX H.

COPY OF DISTRIBUTION
OF THE 251 NAVAL LIST.

Copy of list of names of two hundred and fifty-one (251) naval recruits credited to the State of Maine by order of Provost Marshal General, under call of December 19th, 1864, with name of town to which credited.

	Names.	Town.	District.	Remarks.
1.	F. Wilson	Nobleboro'.	Third.	
2.	P. B. Whittemore	do.	do.	
3.	L. N. Blake	do.	do.	
4.	Thomas Hammond	do.	do.	
5.	A. Hodges	do.	do.	
6.	George W. Hathaway	do.	do.	
7.	John A. Morgan	do.	do.	
8.	T. McClellan	do.	do.	
9.	William E. Peck	do.	do.	
10.	H. A. Law	do.	do.	
1.	E. Ripley	Carratunk.	Third.	
2.	J. Ripley	do.	do.	
3.	J. S. Sawyer	do.	do.	
1.	A. C. Taylor	Holden and Denystown.		
1.	J. Bailey	Smithfield.		
2.	M. Darlin	do.		
3.	R. Gilbrath	do.		
4.	L. A. Hutton	do.		
5.	L. Riply	do.		
6.	George A. Story	do.		
1.	J. T. Horton	Canaan.	Third.	
2.	D. Hall	do.	do.	
3.	George P. Troy	do.	do.	
4.	J. J. Gills	do.	do.	See also Southport.*
5.	D. Haslin	do.	do.	
6.	A. H. Hicks	do.	do.	
	A. Boardman	Dead River pl.		
1.	N. Redan	Rockland.	Fifth.	
2.	John Ray (or Roy)	do.	do.	
3.	I. Whally	do.	do.	
4.	E. B. Warren	do.	do.	
5.	S. H. Spencer	do.	do.	
6.	D. K. Smith	do.	do.	
7.	Wm. ———	do.	do.	

* This remark appears in pencil in a different handwriting.—S. W. Lane, Sec. of the Senate.

List of Naval Credits,—Continued.

	Names.	Town.	District.	Remarks.
1.	John S. Bond	Hampden.	Fourth.	
2.	R. Clark	do.	do.	
3.	J. P. Clapp	do.	do.	
1.	T. L. Mead	Dover.	Fourth.	
2.	T. Mellville	do.	do.	
3.	Benjamin C. Parker	do.	do.	
4.	John F. Phinny	do.	do.	
5.	J. Donnahue	do.	do.	
1.	I. Spencer	Atkinson.	Fourth.	
2.	Silas Smith	do.	do.	
3.	E. Townsend	do.	do.	
4.	J. J. West	do.	do.	
5.	John Whipple	do.	do.	
6.	Peter White	do.	do.	
7.	J. Murphy	do.	do.	
1.	L. F. Dodge	Waterville.	Third.	
2.	O. Dean	do.	do.	
3.	T. Meade	do.	do.	
4.	A. A. Mathewson	do.	do.	
5.	Henry Pitman	do.	do.	
6.	J. L. Plow	do.	do.	
7.	John M. Robie (?)	do.	do.	
8.	Samuel B. Randall	do.	do.	
9.	J. A. Rounds	do.	do.	
10.	S. Smith	do.	do.	
1.	James Andres	Friendship.	Third.	Credited to Chelsea, afterward transfer'd to Friendship.
2.	H. S. West	do.	do.	
3.	John G. Smith	do.	do.	
4.	Geo. G. Phinny	do.	do.	
5.	F. Mellin	do.	do.	
6.	Joseph McCarty	do.	do.	
7.	N. Halbuam	do.	do.	
8.	E. B. Howard	do.	do	
1.	Charles D. Bryant	China.	Third.	
2.	Henry J. Brigham	do.	do.	
3.	W. Carr	do.	do.	
4.	N. T. Ford	do.	do.	
5.	D. Gibbon,	do.	do.	
1.	John Ray	Hallowell.	Third.	
2.	J. M. Perry	do.	do.	
3.	J. Pond	do.	do.	
4.	Peter Daly	do.	do.	
5.	D. F. Bary	do.	do.	
1.	C. H. Myers	Lebanon.	First.	
2.	N. T. McDonnell	do.	do.	
3.	Thomas McKinly	do.	do.	
4.	Timothy McDonald	do.	do.	
5.	E. H. Nash	do.	do.	
6.	A. H. Nichols	do.	do.	
7.	S. Parker	do.	do.	
8.	M. G. Pray	do.	do.	
9.	John Pond	do.	do.	
10.	E. Pieo	do.	do.	
11.	J. F. Roach	do.	do.	
12.	John Rains	do.	do.	
13.	J. A. Silver	do.	do.	
14.	Julius Stone	do.	do.	
15.	Samuel G. Tucker	do.	do.	
16.	Geo. F. Taylor	do.	do.	
17.	John Ward	do.	do.	
18.	L. Wilbur	do.	do.	
19.	M. Williams	do.	do.	
20.	D. Cullan	do.	do.	
1.	Joseph Andre	Pittsfield.	Third.	

List of Naval Credits,—Continued.

	Names.	Town.	District.	Remarks.
2.	J. Burns	Pittsfield.	Third.	
3.	John Byron	do.	do.	
4.	W. R. Cory	do.	do.	
5.	W. H. Case	do.	do.	
6.	M. O. Donnell	do.	do.	
7.	George S. Davis	do.	do.	
8.	J. Evans	do.	do.	
9.	E. Faithful	do.	do.	
10.	G. Goldsmith	do.	do.	
11.	J. T. Hewy	do.	do.	
12.	Patrick Keene	do.	do.	
13.	J. T. Leftem	do.	do.	
1.	J. M. McGuire	Detroit.	Fifth.	
2.	P. Mullam	do.	do.	
3.	T. Smith	do.	do.	
4.	F. M. Stevens	do.	do.	
5.	T. G. Trott	do.	do.	
1.	T. Melvin	Hartford.	Second.	
1.	W. H. Anderson	Bingham.	Third.	
2.	George E. Beals	do.	do.	
3.	W. H. Bishop	do.	do.	
4.	L. Crane	do.	do.	
5.	L. H. Collins	do.	do.	
6.	James Davis	do.	do.	
7.	J. H. Moore	do.	do.	
1.	John L. Brown	Moscow.	Third.	
2.	George B. Boyden	do.	do.	
3.	J. L. Coleman	do.	do.	
4.	Richard Dolehunt	do.	do.	
5.	W. M. Fish	do.	do.	
6.	D. McCogle	do.	do.	
7.	M. McGuire	do.	do.	
1.	John A. Lewis	Union.	.....	
2.	Wilder McMitchell	do.	.....	
3.	Phillip Manning	do.	.....	
4.	E. L. Noyes	do.	.....	
5.	W. Sexton	do.	.....	
6.	L. Sullivan	do.	.....	
7.	I. Case	do.	.....	
8.	T. Caldwell	do.	.....	
9.	Dennis Driscoll	do.	.....	
10.	John Desmond	do.	.....	
11.	A. Frazier	do.	.....	
12.	Albert N. Osserm	do.	.....	
13.	C. T. Haskins	do.	.....	
14.	I. Irvine	do.	.....	
1.	E. T. Craine	Thomaston.	Third.	
2.	R. Dunham	do.	do.	
3.	Charles McCarthy	do.	do.	
1.	G. H. S. Bickman	China.	Third.	
2.	N. Eldridge	do.	do.	
3.	Martin J. Fallam	do.	do.	
4.	Henry Greene	do.	do.	
5.	George Hixon	do.	do.	
1.	J. H. Howe	Webster.	Second.	
2.	William Poor	do.	do.	
3.	Dennis Smith	do.	do.	
1.	W. H. Bishop	Thomaston.	Third.	
2.	William Clements	do.	do.	
3.	James Conant	do.	do.	
4.	L. F. Dodge	do.	do.	
5.	H. Dexter	do.	do.	
6.	J. Eddy	do.	do.	
7.	G. L. Fisher	do.	do.	

List of Naval Credits,—Continued.

	Names.	Town.	District.	Remarks.
8.	P. Golvin	Thomaston.	Third.	
9.	N. Howard	do.	do.	
10.	T. Keenan	do.	do.	
1.	J. Parker	Hebron.	Second.	
2.	J. Shamp	do.	do.	
3.	E. Hart	do.	do.	
4.	J. E. Nash	do.	do.	
5.	J. J. Tinn	do.	do.	
1.	S. Thaxter	Stowe.	Second.	
2.	J. Blackwell	do.	do.	
3.	F. Daily	do.	do.	
1.	J. O. Brown	Temple.	Second.	
2.	Daniel Capen	do.	do.	
1.	A. Glendernn	Hartford.	Second.	
2.	G. Privity	do.	do.	
3.	John Keepe	do.	do.	
4.	J. Battiste	do.	do.	
1.	J. A. Wentworth	Harmony.	Third.	
2.	John S. Bond	do.	do.	
3.	Antoine Felix	do.	do.	
4.	James Norton	do.	do.	
5.	Leavitt Thaxter	do.	do.	
6.	James H. Knox	do.	do.	
7.	Samuel Dutch	do.	do.	
8.	Horace Dexter	do.	do.	
9.	W. Eldridge	do.	do.	
10.	Joseph Columbus	do.	do.	
1.	I. T. Andrews	Augusta.	Third.	
2.	B. E. Parker	do.	do.	
3.	Charles Parke	do.	do.	
4.	W. Hughes	do.	do.	
5.	H. A. Jackson	do.	do.	
6.	John Blackwell	do.	do.	
1.	Thomas Abram	Waterville.	Third.	
2.	J. Veazie	do.	do.	
3.	John B. Boyle	do.	do.	
4.	John Basline	do.	do.	
5.	D. W. Jackson	do.	do.	
6.	D. O'Brien	do.	do.	
7.	A. Rogers	do.	do.	
8.	Francis A. Cobb	do.	do.	
9.	James McGrath	do.	do.	
10.	James Greene	do.	do.	
1.	R. M. Ashley	Pembroke.	Fifth.	
2.	M. Beyewburg	do.	do.	
3.	W. H. Bersaugh	do.	do.	
4.	D. L. Condon	do.	do.	
5.	P. J. Coile	do.	do.	
6.	J. Davis	do.	do.	
7.	A. Harper	do.	do.	
8.	E. D. Howard	do.	do.	
9.	M. Lewis	do.	do.	
10.	J. A. Miller	do.	do.	
11.	D. Murry	do.	do.	
12.	Charles Gerhard	do.	do.	
1.	J. Lawrence	Rockland.	Fifth.	
2.	T. Lafftey	do.	do.	
3.	F. W. Lincoln	do.	do.	
4.	J. L. Leonards	do.	do.	
5.	B. C. Parker	do.	do.	
6.	W. B. Parker	do.	do.	
1.	D. B. Fox	South Freeport.	First.	
2.	W. Fish	do.	do.	
3.	P. Garridea	do.	do.	

List of Naval Credits,—Continued.

	Names.	Town.	District.	Remarks.
4.	L. M. Knights	South Freeport.	First.	
5.	George A. Knapp	do.	do.	
6.	F. Lefeck	do.	do.	
7.	John Lawrence	do.	do.	
8.	A. J. Lapham	do.	do.	
9.	Elijah W. Randall	do.	do.	
10.	J. R. Rodo	do.	do.	
1.	James Arudries	Friendship.	Third.	Transfer'd from Chelsea
2.	M. L. West	do.	do.	
3.	John J. Smith	do.	do.	
1.	Joseph W. Maxy	Norridgewock.	Third.	Transf. from Brighton.
2.	John Murphy	do.	do.	
1.	H. F. Curtis	Rockland.	Fifth.	
2.	C. Cobb	do.	do.	
3.	Edward Dyer	do.	do.	
4.	Andrew Deavie	do.	do.	
5.	Dennis Murray	do.	do.	
6.	James McClure	do.	do.	
1.	B. B. Martin	Pleasant Ridge.		
2.	C. H. Morse	do.		
1.	E. L. Barnes	Mt. Vernon.		

APPENDIX I.

COMMUNICATION OF A. B. FARWELL
TO THE PORTLAND ADVERTISER OF OCTOBER 5, 1869.

PAPER CREDITS.

A Letter from Hon. A. B. Farwell—He denies explicitly the charges against him—Explanation of the case.

Augusta, October 2, 1869.

To the Editor of the Advertiser:

More or less for four years, a class of papers and a class of men, have pursued me with the cry of "paper credits," and "sham substitutes," without eliciting one word of reply from me. I was content to let time correct a statement so groundless and false. It has now been revived and assumed new and significant importance, as they are pleased to say that I am "*The Representative elect from Augusta.*"

The purpose of this designation is not doubtful. My name has been mentioned favorably for the Speakership, and hence this revival, and hence this designation. Allow me to say, that were I not the "Representative elect from Augusta," and a candidate for Speaker, basing my aspirations on my own character and the confidence and attachment of my friends, I would claim no place in your journal now. But is due to my constituents among whom I have lived but five years, and who have twice elected me to the Legislature, to show them that all such insinuations are baseless, and that their Representative is not personally unworthy.

In your paper of the 28th ult., you say that the towns of Monmouth and Readfield have brought actions "against A. B. Farwell, Representative elect from Augusta, to recover money paid out during the war, for 'paper credits,' in other words, for 'sham substitutes' for drafted men."

Now this statement is erroneous in every word, and in every particular. I never had dealings with either of these towns to the amount of one cent, and hence they never brought suits against me. So much for this *one* statement. But now that my hand is in, I propose to exhibit my entire connection with the whole business of aiding towns in filling their quotas, that the public may judge of my acts, upon a full knowledge of them.

In 1864 a draft was pending, that threatened to be more trying to the towns of this State than any which had preceded it. It threatened disaster to the administration party, and many towns were alarmed for the result of the September election. Agents of many of these towns came to Augusta, the Headquarters of the P. M. General, to see if anything could be done to avoid this draft, declaring that unless it was avoided or postponed it would result in a political defeat in their Representative districts. They would pay liberally in bounties for men outside of their towns, but that the towns themselves could not furnish the men under any pressure whatever.

I had just left the service of the State as its Military and Sanitary Agent at Washington, and as I was publicly and generally known to have occupied and recently vacated that position, agents of towns presumed that I was acquainted with the mode of proceeding in enlisting and re-enlisting men in the V. R. and other corps, and assigning them to whatever town they chose, and also the enlistment of colored men in the District of Columbia and the revolting States, then just authorized by Congress. Accordingly, town agents with leading men of the State supporting them, called on me, and urgently pressed me to aid them in averting the calamity which threatened their nominees. Knowing that recruits could be obtained in that section, and anxious to help these embarrassed towns, I consented to make the trial. Being furnished by the Governor with all proper authority to enlist men for towns in Maine, I repaired to Washington. Before proceeding to canvass for men there, a committee, consisting of Ex-Governor Colby* of New Hampshire, Newell of New Jersey, and myself, were appointed to confer with the Secretary of War, and ascertain definitely that our business met the approval of his department. These men were there on the same business as myself. We were informed by Mr. Stanton that we had his entire consent. Before proceeding to this interview with the Secretary Col. James M. Stone of Kennebunk was added to the committee because of his personal and favorable acquaintance with Mr. Stanton, Thus equipped I succeeded in obtaining some sixty or seventy men for, and to whom I paid from five hundred dollars to seven hundred each. The money was paid directly to the men as enlisted, and in all cases, I think, by Col. B. H. Hinds, then the efficient Military Agent for Maine at Washington, with whom, as conclusive evidence of good faith, the money to pay the bounties had been deposited.

As fast as I obtained these men I forwarded their muster-in papers to the office of the Adjutant General at Augusta, and followed myself, just before September election.

I found to my surprise that many of the men enlisted by me, had been assigned to the general credit of the State or to towns of their original enlistments. I called the attention of the State authorities to this fact, and they proposed to, and did, make good the loss to me, by giving me a number of unassigned and unclaimed credits, sufficient to reimburse me for my enlistments which had been thus wrongfully and by mistake assigned. By this arrangement the State suffered nothing, and *I was only enabled to get back the money*

* A Gov. Colby is mentioned by Mr. Farwell in his deposition, page 274, probably the same person.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

which I paid out. I never had to do, directly or indirectly, with any of the class which purported to be "marine corps" or "paper credit men."

This statement exhibits my entire connection with the whole subjects of substitutes, credits, or enlistments of any kind or description, and that the matter may be now put at rest, I submit the testimony bearing on this matter, which was laid before the Legislative investigation.

On January 1, 1866, I wrote Mr. Hinds as follows:

Dear Sir:—Will you please state, if you have any means of telling, how many men you paid for in Washington in August, 1864, as having been enlisted for me? Be kind enough to state also, about how much was paid for each man and if it was paid directly to the man enlisting.

Yours truly, A. B. FARWELL.

Col. B. H. Hinds, Late Mil. Agent, &c.

Mr. Hinds replied:

Augusta, January 1, 1868.

Dear Sir:—In reply to the foregoing, I would say that I do not now definitely remember how many men you obtained in Washington, so long a time has elapsed since that transaction. Besides, you bought some of Wm. Emery, if I recollect, after he had enlisted them, but I do not remember how many. My recollection now is, that you obtained somewhere from forty to seventy. The men who were paid by me received from $500 to $625 each. I think you paid Emery some $700 in one instance.

Very truly yours, B. H. HINDS,
Late Mil. Agent, Washington, D. C.

A. B. Farwell, Esq.

August 31, 1865, I wrote Adjutant General Hodsdon, saying:—Will you please say if muster-in papers of men enlisted by me were received at your office in August or September, 1864? If so, how many, and what disposition was made of them? Will you also please say if any unassigned naval credits were placed at my disposal, and if so, how many and for what purpose? Will you also please say if I have had any other men assigned for my benefit, or if any have been assigned at my suggestion?

His answer is:

State of Maine, Headquarters, &c., August 31, 1865.

Colonel A. B. Farwell:

In reply to yours of to-day, I have to say, that in the summer or fall of 1864 muster-in rolls of some 60 or 70 enlisted men at Washington and vicinity, were received by mail at this office, and the men at once credited to the places of their residences as required by the statute, who, it subsequently appeared, from receipts, &c., in your possession, were enlisted and paid their bounty by you, to fill such quotas as you saw fit, or assumed to fill. Under these circumstances the Governor directed that of the unassigned general naval credits a sufficient number be placed at your disposal to make good the misappropriation of your enlistments, as above specified, and no more than sufficient were thus appropriated by you. No other men have been assigned for your benefit or at your suggestion, or placed at your disposal in any way or manner whatever.

In a word, the extent of your business or other connection with the Adjutant General's office in this State is fully herein set forth.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

JOHN L. HODSDON, Adjutant General.*

In reply to an inquiry to the A. A. P. M. General, he wrote :†

Office A. A. P. M. General, August 22, 1865.

A. B. Farwell, Esq. :

Dear Sir :—In reply to yours of the 21st, would say, that you have not presented any papers purporting to represent men to my office. I have no knowledge of your furnishing substitutes or filling quotas of towns—in fact, I can say since my connection with the office, that you have transacted no business therewith. I assumed the duties of this office in November, 1864, and upon inquiry I learn that no business was transacted by you under my predecessor.

I am your obedient servant,

R. M. LITTLER, A. A. P. M. General.

Three years ago this transaction, so far as I am concerned, was subjected to the scrutiny of one of the ablest Legislative Committees ever organized in Maine—Hon. Joseph H. Williams, General G. F. Shepley, Hon. G. W. Woodman, and Edmund Wilson, made a part of this committee—and after an investigation of almost two months, invigorated by the power of the State and the passion of the hour, they thus wrote me :

Augusta, Maine, February 24, 1866.

A. B. Farwell, Esq. :

Sir :—In answer to your inquiry, we state that the evidence introduced before the Committee on the Enlistment Investigation, did not, in our opinion, even tend to prove any dishonorable, illegal or improper conduct on your part in connection with enlistments or naval credits.

Respectfully,

GEORGE W. WOODMAN, } Chairmen of
GEORGE F. SHEPLEY, } Committee.

Now I am done, I hope forever, with this most ungrateful task, one which would never have been performed but in vindication of public trust, and for the protection of essential interests. If none but myself were interested in this matter, I would never have dignified it with my notice—but such is not the case.

The good opinion of those who have made me the custodian of important interests, and the confidence of those with whom I am called to labor, in behalf of our State, demand of me this proper and unvarnished statement—too long I know for the reader, only long enough to tell my story.

I am, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. B. FARWELL.

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* See also letter in reply to Wm. S. Dodge, page 341.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

† See also telegram of Provost Marshal General Fry, page 433, and the reply of Maj. Littler, 434.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

APPENDIX J.

SPECIMEN COPY

OF RETURN OF MEN IN NAVY CLAIMED TO BE RESIDENTS OF TOWN OF MERCER.*

[To be cut in two and lengthened if required.]

Return of persons resident or liable to enrolment and military duty in the town of Mercer who are in the service in the United States Navy.

NAMES.	Age.	Married or single.	Occupation when enlisted.	Where enlisted.	In what vessel commenced service or now serving.	Remarks.
William Anderson†	21	Single.	Laborer.	Portland	R. S. Ohio.	
Joel Brewer	24	do.	do.	do.	do.	
James Bright	27	do.	do.	do.	do.	
J. Curran	28	do.	do.	do.	do.	
S. F. Claphlin	20	do.	do.	do.	do.	
John Dameron	21	do.	do.	do.	do.	
Josiah Ellet	26	do.	do.	do.	do.	
Edmund Freeman	29	Married.	do.	do.	do.	
Octavius Gurney	20	Single.	do.	do.	do.	
Joseph H. Hilton	24	do.	do.	do.	do.	
Walter W. Ingalls	26	do.	do.	do.	do.	
Patrick McGowan	20	do.	do.	do.	do.	

We, the municipal officers of the town of Mercer, do certify that to the best of our knowledge and belief this return presents a correct exhibit of the enlisted seamen in the service of the United States from the said town of Mercer.

S. B. WALTON, } Selectmen of
B. C. GOODWIN, } Mercer.

Mercer, August 26, 1864.

(Make two copies of this return—one to be sent to the Adjutant General's office, and one retained by the town authorities.)

* Similar copies of this return have already been given in case of the town of Stow, see page 197.—S. W. LLNE, Secretary of the Senate.

† See page 368 for same list of names.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of Senate.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 8, 1871.

Ordered, That two thousand copies of the Report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," and such portion of the evidence and documents accompanying as is recommended to be printed in the report of the Select Committee appointed to examine the same, together with the report of said Committee, be printed and bound in one volume for the use of the Legislature.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized and directed to superintend the printing of the report and documents designated in the foregoing order.

Severally read and passed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX K.

EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTS

Referred to in the Report of the Select Committee of the Senate, pages 39 and 40, as not being of sufficient importance to be printed.*

DEPOSITIONS OF OFFICERS AND AGENTS OF TOWNS, AND PAPERS ANNEXED THERETO.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, June 4, 1870.

SETH LEE of Atkinson, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Are you one of the selectmen of Atkinson?

A. I am.

Q. Did you, in 1864 or 1865, in behalf of Atkinson, negotiate with any one to obtain persons to be credited on the quotas of Atkinson?

A. I did not.

Q. Who did so negotiate?

A. R. A. Snow, one of the selectmen, as chosen agent to fill the quotas, and that is all I know about that transaction.

SETH LEE.

JAMES R. MARSTON of Mt. Vernon, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Are you one of the selectmen of Mt. Vernon?

A. I am, and was last year.

Q. Did you or not appear before the Commission for Equalizing War Debts in behalf of the town of Mt. Vernon?

A. I did.

Q. What claims for reimbursement were disallowed by said Commission?

A. Patrick Williams, James Gallagher, Henry Brown and Levins L. Goldy, also Frank Ames, Samuel L. Brown, E. L. Barnes and Hiram T. Smith.

* See also extract from the Journal of the Senate, following Appendix K.

Q. What were the grounds of such disallowance?

A. They could find no recorded evidence of service of any of these men, except in case of Hiram T. Smith. Smith was an inhabitant of Mt. Vernon who served as I understood in the navy. We were not allowed reimbursement on account of the time of his enlistment having been too early, as I understood it. The town of Mt. Vernon paid said Smith $400.

J. R. MARSTON.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 9, 1870.

GEORGE W. WHITNEY of Newport, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Who transacted the business for your town of the filling of the quota under the call of December, 1864? And have you personal knowledge relating thereto?

A. Elliot Walker and Elisha W. Shaw, who were on a committee chosen by the town for that purpose.

GEO. W. WHITNEY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Saturday, June 11, 1870.

JAMES CARNEY of Richmond, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the board of selectmen for the town of Richmond in 1864?

A. Yes, sir, I was.

Q. Did you, in behalf of said town, purchase certain credits to be allowed on the quotas of said town for 1864?

A. I paid for the men of 1864. The board of selectmen, myself among the number, hired certain men to go on the call of December, 1864. David S. Patten was one of the number, but I do not recall the names of the others. These were all real men, whom I myself saw, and were allowed in reimbursement. The town authorized T. J. Southard to fill the call of July, 1864. We hired Mr. Marble of Woolwich to put in eight men—I think it was eight—for us under call of December, 1864.

Q. Were Peter F. Binges, Malcolm Leach, Benjamin D. Morgan and John S. Scott residents of Richmond in 1864, or at any time prior, to your knowledge?

A. They were not.

Q. Did you or any other member of the board, to your knowledge, sign or give any certificate or paper stating that the above named four men did, at any time reside in Richmond?

A. Not to my knowledge.

JAMES CARNEY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, June 14, 1870.

JOSIAH MERROW of Bowdoinham, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Bowdoinham for 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. As such did you take measures to fill the several quotas of the town previous to 1865?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Whether or not about that time did you purchase men or credits to fill the quota of the town, of Colby & Pike of Augusta.

A. I purchased of Colby & Pike eight men at $450 each. I did not purchase credits.

Q. What statements did Pike & Colby, or either of them make, or what was the understanding as to who these men were or where they came from or by what authority they sold them?

A. I do not recollect that there was anything said in relation to that matter at all. They gave me a list of names, none of whom were of men residents of our town. They agreed to furnish men, and I had no doubt then that they did furnish men.

Q. Was there any intimation given to you that the men whose names were on said lists were navy or marine men already in the service?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you see or ask to see any of these men?

A. No, sir. They said it was all right—that the men were credited on our quota.

Q. Did you require of them any certificate from the military authorities, previous to paying for them, that they were credited to the quota of your town?

A. I did; and they produced the proper certificate.

Q. Did such certificate contain a list of the men, and a receipt for the money paid?

A. It did contain a list of the men, and the receipt for the money was either on that paper or on a separate paper.

Q. Look at this claim of your town for reimbursement, and state whether it was made out under your direction.

A. (Witness looks at the claim of the town of Bowdoinham for reimbursement, which claim was filed with the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts.) It was made out by my direction.

Q. Have you any doubt that the eight names on the bottom of that claim marked in red ink "Marine Corps," are the names of the eight men bought of Pike & Colby?

A. I can't say whether they are the men or not.

Q. Where are the certificates, lists and receipts referred to? and will you give an order on the person holding them, to deliver them to this Commission to be annexed to your deposition?

A. They are with General Hodsdon, who was the attorney for our town before the Commission on Equalizing War Debts, and I have already given your clerk an order on the General for them. JOSIAH MERROW.

MEMORANDUM.—P. R. Millay of Bowdoinham, paid Delany for seven men $650 each, of whom four were disallowed.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing deposition of Josiah Merrow.*]

Provost Marshal General's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 27, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States, on the quota of Bowdoinham (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

NAMES.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Albion Pray	Coast Guard.	Not known.	1 year.
John Maher	U. S. Marine Corps.	do.	3 years.
Dennis Sullivan	do.	do.	do.
Rufus E. Wilcox	do.	do.	do.
Francis Hamil	do.	do.	do.
Christopher Mullady	do.	do.	do.
Robert M. Taylor	do.	do.	do.
John Droper	do.	do.	do.
James Munday	do.	do.	do.

Nine persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

$3,600. Augusta, February 3, 1865.

Received of Josiah Merrow three thousand six hundred dollars in full payment for eight 3 years' men placed to quota of Bowdoinham.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) COLBY & PIKE.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, June 28, 1870.

BENJAMIN HUNTER of Strong, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. You are now one of the selectmen of the town of Strong, are you?

A. I am.

Q. What means have you taken to procure evidence of the filling of your town's quota under the call of December, 1864?

A. I have procured the depositions of Stephen Morrell and Thomas Kennedy, who were employed by the town of Strong to fill that quota. On account of sickness and for other reasons they were unable to attend in person. I have also taken from the files of the town the certificate of Nahum Morrill dated January 3, 1865, containing a list of names of seven men procured by said Stephen Morrell and Thomas Kennedy, which papers are hereunto annexed, marked "A" and "B," respectively.

BENJ'A. HUNTER.

[*Papers annexed to foregoing Deposition of Benjamin Hunter.*]

A.

I, Stephen Morrell of Strong, in the County of Franklin and State of Maine, on oath depose and say, that I was one of the board of selectmen of Strong for the years 1864 and until March, 1865, and that by request of the board of selectmen, in company with Thomas Kennedy, also of said Strong, who was employed by said selectmen, went to Auburn and contracted with Wright, Harriman & Co., brokers, for seven men to serve on our quota, and after taking a receipt from Nahum Morrill, Provost Marshal of this District, certifying that John Sifert, Henry Duffy, Abijah D. Ball, James W. Campbell, Henry Donehowe, John Hailey and George Jess, seven men, were credited to our town, the Adjutant General and Major Littler agreeing thereto, as represented to us, also that we then paid said brokers three thousand one hundred and fifty dollars, taking a receipt therefor from said brokers. Said receipt is either mislaid or lost. These men were represented to us as being discharged soldiers at Washington and re-enlisting. All of the above transactions we know to be facts except that we know none of men enlisted as aforesaid.

(Signed) STEPHEN MORRELL.

Franklin, ss., June 27, 1870.

Then personally appeared the said Stephen Morrell and made oath to the truth of the foregoing affidavit by him subscribed.

Before me, (signed) P. M. STUBBS, Justice of the Peace.

I, Thomas Kennedy of Strong, in the County of Franklin and State of Maine, on oath depose and say, that I have knowledge of the facts stated in the foregoing affidavit of said Stephen Morrell, and know them to be true, and myself certify to the truth of the same. (Signed) THOMAS KENNEDY.

Franklin ss., June 27, 1870.

Subscribed and sworn to by said Thomas Kennedy.

Before me, (Signed) P. M. STUBBS, Justice of the Peace.

B.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine, }
January 3, 1865. }

I certify that the following named persons have been enlisted and mustered in to the service of the United States on the quota of Strong (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine:

NAMES.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
John Sifert	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
Henry Duffy	do.	do.	do.
Abijah D. Ball	do.	do.	do.
James W. Campbell	do.	do.	do.
Henry Donehowe	do.	do.	do.
John Hailey	do.	do.	do.
George Jess	do.	do.	do.

Seven persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

JACOB B. HAM of Lewiston, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you the mayor of Lewiston in 1864–5?

A. Yes, sir, I was mayor from March, 1863, to March, 1865.

Q. Did you purchase, in behalf of the city of Lewiston, men to go upon the quota of Lewiston under the call of December, 1864?

A. I purchased some men in January, 1865, to go upon the quota of Lewiston.

Q. How many, and of whom, and at what price?

A. I purchased twenty-five of Daniel T. Pike, at $450 each.

Q. State particularly all the negotiations you had with Pike in regard to these men.

A. Well, that was the substance of it—that he would furnish twenty-five men for $450 each. I satisfied myself that they would count on our quota. I made no inquiry as to where they were or how he got them.

Q. Did you, before paying, apply to the Adjutant General at Augusta, and ascertain as to the correctness of the transaction?

A. I did. I don't recollect exactly what he said, but the substance of it was that they would count on our quota.

Q. Did you make a memorandum at the time containing the names of the men?

A. I did. I prepared a receipt with the view of having it signed by Mr. Pike, for the sum of $11,250 for the twenty-five men, but it never was signed because the money was paid by another officer of the city, and a receipt given by Pike to him. I transferred to this unsigned receipt the names of the men taken from the Adjutant General or Maj. Littler—I can't recollect which—as the men assigned to our quota bought of Pike. The unsigned receipt is hereunto annexed marked "A," and dated Lewiston, January 31, 1865.

Q. Are these the names of persons known to you or residents of your city or vicinity?

A. No, sir; I know of no such persons having enlisted in Lewiston.

Q. Was it your purpose and expectation, in stipulating for this payment of $450 per man, to procure the actual enlistment of bona fide men?

A. No, sir; I did not think they had twenty-five real men to put into the service.

Q. Had you heard at that time anything about naval credits, and that brokers were allotting to towns names of men already in the naval service, under some arrangement with the military authorities of the State or nation or both?

A. I had heard something of naval credits, but how it was managed I have no recollection of what my ideas about it were then.

Q. What property did you suppose Mr. Pike had in these twenty-five men which you were purchasing for the sum of about $11,000?

A. I don't now know what idea I had upon the subject. My principal anxiety was to know that they would count on the quota of Lewiston, and I ascertained that before paying.

Q. Was it represented by Pike that he, or any person for him, had ad-

vanced to these twenty-five men this amount of $11,250, or any part of it, as bounties of the towns to which they might be assigned?

A. I do not think that Pike made any such representations about it.

Q. Was the claim of your city for reimbursement for these men disallowed by the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, and if so upon what ground?

A. I have understood that it was disallowed, on the ground that they were paper men.

JACOB B. HAM.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of J. B. Ham.*]

$11,250. Lewiston, January 31, 1865.

Received of David Farrar, Treasurer of the city of Lewiston, eleven thousand two hundred and fifty dollars for bounty for twenty-five men credited on the quota of said city of Lewiston, said men being enlisted for three years, as per certificate of Major R. M. Littler, to the Provost Marshal of the 2d District of Maine.

Names of men credited to city of Lewiston:

John A. Burke, William Moore, Thomas Mehan, Michael Mullay, William Roach, James Brady, James B. Crawse, William Cowan, James C. Page, Robert Knox, Philander M. More, John Carroll, Might Curlow, John Graves, Benjamin Henecy, Hiram Wayne, James Bradley, Lewis Vansschayer, Jacob Hollenberger, George W. Wheeler, John Vickery, Frederick Andrew, James Clark, John Finnigan, August Guathart.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, June 27, 1870.

CORYDON FELKER of Solon, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the board of selectmen of the town of Concord in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. Did you in that capacity purchase men or credits to be credited on the quotas of Concord for 1864, and if yea, of whom, how many, and at what price?

A. I did, of G. M. Delany & Co., nine men at $600 apiece.

Q. State, according to your best recollections, what representations were made about these men or credits at the time you purchased them by said Delany & Co., or any one of the firm?

A. G. M. Delany and Frank Davis were the men that I talked with. I closed the trade with Delany himself. I think he told me that he had four of the men already enlisted. The other five he would have, so that our drafted men would'nt have to appear here. He brought the receipts for these four containing their names,—two from A. P. Davis and two from C. Holmes. I took these receipts to General Hodsdon and asked him if it was safe and proper for

our town to pay for them, and he said 'twas. I also took the receipts for the five men signed by W. H. Fogler, stating that "five men not heretofore credited to the town of Concord had been this day reported and will be credited to said town," and asked Hodsdon if it would be safe to buy these men to be credited to the town of Concord, and he said it would be. I asked about these five men, but did not get their names, and I think they told me—Delany told—that the names were on the books at Fogler's office, but I never got their names. Fogler, as I understood, was United States mustering officer. I also, that night, got a discharge for the drafted men from A. P. Davis. I think they were discharged on account of the quota's being filled by enlistment. I paid for the nine men $5,400, to G. M. Delany & Co., and took their receipt. The receipts for the men are with the papers of the town of Concord. I left them there. The receipt for the money paid Delany & Co. is in my possession, and is at my home. Those receipts will be furnished by the town of Concord, to be annexed to this deposition.

(Papers marked A and B annexed. The four men first spoken of appear to have been all right, and were allowed by Com. on E. M. W. D., hence certificates of muster and credit are not annexed.—A. C. WALKER, Clerk.)

Q. Did you then or since, know where these five men, or either of them, resided?

A. No.

Q. Did you inquire of said Delany & Co. what authority they had to furnish these men to be credited to your quota?

A. No, I did'nt.

Q. Did you inquire of Adjutant General Hodgdon what authority Delany & Co. had to dispose of these men?

A. I don't think I did.

CORYDON FELKER.

[*Papers annexed to foregoing Deposition of Corydon Felker.*]

A.

Office Acting Assis't Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., October 3, 1864.

Five men not heretofore credited to the town of Concord, have this day been reported to this office and credited to that town, and will be so reported to the Provost Marshal of the District.

(Signed) W. H. FOGLER, Capt. and Inspector.

B.

$5,400. Augusta, October 5, 1864.

Received of the town of Concord by the hands of Corydon Felker five thousand four hundred dollars in full payment for nine men put upon their town's quota for three year's service.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.] (Signed) G. M. DELANY & Co.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, June 29, 1870.

JOHN RICHARDS of Salem, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you employed by the town of Salem to fill their quota of December, 1864, alone or with any other agent of the town? and if with another, who was he and where is he now?

A. I was employed with Jeremiah D. Ellsworth, who is now in the State of Iowa.

Q. Did he, or yourself, negotiate for the purchase of men to fill that quota?

A. He did.

Q. Of whom did he obtain them?

A. Of Herriman, Libby & Co.

Q. How many men did he purchase, and what did he pay for them?

A. As he stated to me, and as appears by the receipt of Herriman, Libby & Co., dated "Auburn, January 12, 1865," he paid $1800 for four men. Said receipt is hereto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Did Ellsworth furnish the town with any certificate of the Provost Marshal of your District containing the names of the men he had obtained, and showing that they had been allowed on the quota of Salem?

A. He did, sir; and the certificate which is dated January 10, 1865, is hereto annexed, marked "B," and contains their names.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Are those the names of men residents of your town, or were they ever residents of said town?

A. They are not, nor were they ever residents there.

JOHN RICHARDS.

[*Papers annexed to foregoing Deposition of John Richards.*]

A.

Auburn, January 12, 1865.

Received of Jeremiah D. Ellsworth the sum of eighteen hundred dollars in full for four men mustered into the United States service for three years and credited to the quota of Salem.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

B.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 10, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Salem (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine:

NAMES.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Thomas Clifford	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
Augustus R. Case	do.	do.	do.
David Connell	do.	do.	do.
Joseph A. Clark	do.	do.	do.

Four persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, June 30, 1870.

JOHN MONTGOMERY of Boothbay, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. What agency had you, if any, in filling the quotas of your town under the calls of July and December, 1864?

A. I was employed by the selectmen of the town of Boothbay as their agent to fill those quotas, and as such came here to Augusta in November, 1864, I think it was, and went around among the brokers and priced the men. I found men offered at $350 apiece. I finally made a trade with Watts & Wall, who had an office here. The first talk was with Watts. He represented that some other party here, whose name I cannot now recollect, but think was Pike & Colby, had the control of some men who were enlisted in Virginia—colored men. Watts referred me to this other party and went with me to their office. I talked with a stout-built man, apparently past fifty years old. He said he had men, and named the price, but I do not now remember what it was. I told him that if he would get a certificate from the Provost Marshal's office that the men were credited on our quota, I would take them; and he went out and immediately returned with a certificate containing their names. I find and have brought here a certificate dated February 2, 1865, signed by Jos. T. Woodward, hereto annexed, marked "A." This certificate was taken from the files of our town and, I think, is the same then brought to me. I afterwards paid Mr. Watts a sum of money and took his receipt with the understanding that he should pay the parties of whom I had certain men the amount agreed upon for the same.

Q. Do you understand that reimbursement for the men named on said certificate, or part of them, was disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts?

A. I do not know, but I understand it was disallowed as to six of them.

Q. Have you ever known persons resident of your town or vicinity of those names?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did the party of whom you purchased these men say what they had cost them or that they had paid bounties to them?

A. Not that I recollect.

Q. Did you consult any of the military or civil authorities here as to the legality or regularity of the transaction?

A. I went into Major Littler's office, and the man in charge of the quota books told me that so many men had been quotaed to our town. I mean all the men that I had purchased.

JOHN MONTGOMERY.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of John Montgomery.*]

Provost Marshal's Office, 3d District of Maine,
Augusta, February 2, 1865.

The following names were credited to the town of Boothbay under date of

Names.	Period.	Names.	Period.
Dougherty, Robert.....	3 years.	Walters, Edward	3 years.
Jones, Enoch...	do.	Warwick, Wm. A.....	do.
Little, Henry	do.	Foley, Theophilus	do.
Maybery, John.....	do.		

I certify that the above names were credited as above stated.

(Signed) JOS. T. WOODWARD, Commissioner.

[*Endorsement on the foregoing.*]

I certify that the within named have received their bounty from the town of Boothbay. (Signed) JOHN MONTGOMERY.

JAMES MULLIGAN of Nobleboro', sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Nobleboro' in 1864?

A. I was.

Q. Did you as such purchase men or credits to be allowed on your quota of 1864; if yea, of whom, how many, and at what price.

A. I did, associated with Joseph L. Haynes, of J. P. Deering & Co., purchase ten men at $410 each.

Q. What statements, if any, did Deering & Co., or either of them, make to you about these men, as to where they were, or who they were, or their authority to dispose of them.

A. I don't remember of any statements except that they were to put ten real men upon our quota.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the military authorities of the State, or of the United States, as to their authority to dispose of these men to be allowed on your quota?

A. We did not.

Q. Did Deering & Co. furnish you with any certificate showing that these men had been allowed on your quota?

A. They furnished us with the certificate hereunto annexed, marked "A," dated January 26, 1865, signed by R. M. Littler, and containing the names of ten men.

Q. Have you any receipt showing that you paid the money for them, and if not, do you know that the money was paid in full for these men?

A. I have no receipt, but I do know that it was paid in full. The receipt is probably among the private papers of Mr. Haynes, now deceased.

Q. Were the persons named in certificate marked "A," resident in Nobleboro' then, or had they been before to your knowledge?

A. They were not.

Q. Did you obtain these men in good faith, believing that they were actual men to be allowed on your quota and to go into the service of the United States?

A. We did. We understood that there were paper men or paper credits at that time, and we were offered men on better terms, but refused to trade for them, believing that they would be paper men. Mr. Haynes was acquainted with one of the firm of Deering & Co., and we went to them and bargained for real men.

JAMES MULLIGAN.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of James Mulligan.*]

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 26, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Nobleboro': T. Wilson, P. B. Whittemore, L. N. Blake, Thomas Hammond, A. Hodges, George W. Hathaway, John a Morgan, J. McLellan, Wm. E. Peck, H. A. Lane. Ten in number.

(Signed) R. M. Littler, A. A. Pro. Mar. General, and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

Prentiss M. Putnam of Rumford, sworn and examined.

Said Putnam testifies as follows, to wit:

I am one of the selectmen of the town of Rumford. The person who acted for the town in filling the quota under call of December, 1864, was Charles A. Kimball, now of Rumford. I, with the other selectmen, caused his affidavit to be taken before William C. Frye, a respectable Justice of the Peace of our town, and the same was used before the Commission on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, since when it has been in my possession. Mr. Kimball was unable to attend here before this Commission, and the selectmen directed me to bring said affidavit as evidence of the filling of said quota. I annex said affidavit to my deposition. It is marked "A." The two Provost Marshals' certificates annexed to said affidavit of Charles A. Kimball are original papers, and contain the names of the eight men bought by said Kimball. These names are all of strangers and not residents of the town of Rumford. I presented, in behalf of the town, a claim for reimbursement for these eight men by name,

and the claim was disallowed by the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts, on the ground that they were what is often called paper men. I believe the facts set forth in said Kimball's affidavit to be true.

PRENTISS M. PUTNAM.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of P. M. Putnam.*]

A.

Rumford Point, April 7, 1869.

Commissioners of Equalization of Bounties, State of Maine:

Gentlemen:—In December, 1864, I was employed by the town of Rumford to procure eight men to fill its quota. I went to Lewiston and made arrangements with some substitute brokers, to wit: Herriman, Libby & Co., to furnish the men; and when they would bring me papers from the Provost Marshal that they had furnished the men I would then pay them. They brought me a certificate from the Provost Marshal, Mahum Morrill, that they had furnished the men as aforesaid, to serve three years, and they were mustered into the United States service on the quota of Rumford, and to the best of my recollection the price I paid for procuring said men was $425 each, making ($3400) thirty-four hundred dollars for all. I took a receipt of them at the time of what I paid them, and when I settled with the town treasurer gave it to him. Since then said treasurer has died, and the receipt cannot be found.

(Signed) CHAS. A. KIMBALL.

Personally appeared Charles A. Kimball and made oath to the truth of the above writing. (Signed) WM. C. FRYE, Justice of the Peace.

[*Papers annexed to the foregoing Affidavit of C. A. Kimball.*]

A.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine, December 31, 1864.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Rumford (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

Names.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
James Sharry	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not given.	3 years.
Patrick Coughlin	do.	do.	do.

Two persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal, 2d District, Mustering Officer.

B.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine, December 26, 1864.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Rumford (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine:

Names.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Edward Carvin	U. S. Marine Corps.	Reported by	3 years.
Frank Howard	.....	Maj. R. M.	do.
James M. Pierce	.....	Littler, A. A.	do.
Samuel W. Brewer	.....	Pro. Mar.	do.
Wm. W. Warren	.....	Gen'l of Me.,	do.
John S. Gross	.....	Dec. 26.	do.

Six persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

AUGUSTA, ME., Friday, July 15, 1870.

JAMES FOWLER, JR., of Unity, sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of the town of Unity in 1864?

A. I was, to March, 1865.

Q. Did you, early in 1865, procure ten men, or credits for ten men, of one G. M. Delany?

A. I did procure ten men of G. M. Delany & Co., at that time.

Q. State particularly the negotiations you had and the contract you made with said Delany & Co. in reference to said ten men?

A. We, Mr. Rackliff and myself, told Mr. Delany that we wanted to contract for ten volunteers to go on the quota of Unity. He asked us, in the course of the conversation, if we wanted paper men or live men; and we told him we wanted live men, and he said he would put in the live men for $450 per man; and we agreed to pay him that when the men were mustered in. Then he made a minute of the agreement on his book. We told him we had been to considerable trouble in getting men to fill our quotas, and we should want him to make us a discount of $50; but he did not enter that on his book, and when we came to a settlement he had forgotten, or appeared to have forgotten, the talk about the discount of $50; but he made the discount after a little talk. I don't recollect that he said anything about who the men were, or where the men were that he was to put in for us, but I supposed he would get them about here. I supposed he had the men here, as there were several persons about his office that seemed to be soldiers or recruits.

Q. Had you at that time any knowledge that brokers were selling names of persons already in the naval or marine service of the United States, and would you have considered the assignment of the names of such persons a performance on the part of Delany of his agreement with you?

A. I had heard such report—that is all I know about it—but I should not

have considered the assignment of such men a fulfillment of his contract with us.

Q. What evidence, if any, did you require of the enlistment of the ten men previously to paying for them.

A. Previous to paying for them I went to the office of the A. A. Provost Marshal General of the State and was there assured that ten men furnished by Delany had been credited to the town of Unity.

Q. Did you see the names of the men upon any record or roll in said office, or were you or your town ever furnished with a list of the names of the ten men by Delany or any other person?

A. I did not see their names, and they never were furnished to my knowledge. The man that looked on the books and told us that ten men had been credited to Unity, told us that a certificate containing the names of the men would be made out and sent to us, but it never was.

Q. Did you take any advice of the Adjutant General of the State in reference to these ten men, and if so, what did he say?

A. I asked him if they told us that the men were put in if it would be all right, and he said, "I suppose so," and that is all the answer he made—I mean if the men in the Provost Marshal's office told us that the men were put in.

Q. Was any reimbursement allowed by the Equalization Commission to your town for these ten men?

A. Well, we thought that there was a discount made somewhere, as we were not allowed so much as we expected. We were never able to furnish that Commission with the names of the men, and I presume that reimbursement was not allowed.

Q. Did you pay Delany & Co. at the agreed rate, and did you take a receipt for the amount paid?

A. We did pay him and took a receipt which is lost.

JAMES FOWLER, JR.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, July 19, 1870.

HORACE C. WHITE of Lisbon, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Lisbon in 1865?

A. I was, from about the first of January, 1865, to March, 1865.

Q. As such, acting for the town, did you alone, or with other agents of the town, purchase men to be credited on your quota under the call of December 19, 1864?

A. I did, with Henry H. Thompson and James G. Jordan.

Q, Of whom did you purchase them, how many, and what did you pay for them?

A. Of Herriman, Libby & Co.; we purchased ten men for $450 each, as per receipt marked A, dated January 10, 1865, signed by Herriman, Libby & Co., hereto annexed.

Q. What statements, if any, did Herriman, Libby & Co. make to you about these men; who they were, how they obtained them, and what anthority they had to sell them?

A. As regards who they were, they stated that they were men who had lately been enlisted into the marine corps—I think they said at New Bedford—and they, through other parties, could have them credited to our town, and the men would receive their bounties without coming here. They said they were real men, and were Norwegians or Swedes, I think.

Q. Did you receive any certificate from the Provost Marshal of your District that said men had been enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Lisbon?

A. I did, and it is hereto annexed, marked B, dated January 10, 1865.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal as to the fact of these men's being actual men, to be mustered into the service of the United States as above said?

A. I did; I asked him a question very similar to that and his answer was that he knew nothing about it himself, but if Maj. Littler, his superior officer, should send him his certificate that the men were credited to our town, it would be all right. He said that he presumed it was all right.

Q. Did you subsequently see and read a certificate from Maj. R. M. Littler, stating that said men had been enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Lisbon?

A. I did see and read it. It contained the names of the men the same as certificate B.

H. C. WHITE.

[*Papers annexed to the foregoing Deposition of H. C. White.*]

A.

Auburn, January 10, 1865.

Received of the selectmen of the town of Lisbon, by the hands of Messrs. Henry H. Thompson, James G. Jordan, H. C. White, agents of said town to procure men for the quota of said Lisbon, the sum of forty-five hundred dollars in full for ten men for three years' service, credited to the town of Lisbon under call of December 19, 1864.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

[2 ct. U. S. I. Stamp, cancelled.]

B.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 10, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Lisbon (sub-district) in this district, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records.

NAMES.	Recruit for which regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Joseph McLaughlin	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	Three years.
John B. Morgan	do.	do.	do.
Perry Stantus	do.	do.	do.
George W. Harris	do.	do.	do.
William H. Potts	do.	do.	do.
Andrew Tibbett	do.	do.	do.
Henry Foy	do.	do.	do.
John A. Eichel	do.	do.	do.
George W. Neville	do.	do.	do.
Augustus Greene	do.	do.	do.

Ten persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Pro. Marshal,
2d District Mustering Officer.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, July 21, 1870.

ISRAEL G. KIMBALL of Bethel, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Bethel in 1864, and as such, or as agent of the town, did you purchase men to go on the quota of your town under call of December, 1864?

A. I was, and did as agent with Maj. G. A. Hastings, another agent.

Q. Of whom did you purchase them, how many, and what did you give for them?

A. We purchased fourteen men of Herriman, Libby & Co., and gave $6,300 and took two receipts; one for $450, dated January 6, 1865, hereto annexed, marked "A," and the other for $5,850 of the same date, hereto annexed, marked B.

Q. Did you have any certificate that said men had been mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Bethel?

A. We did have the certificate of Nahum Morrill, Provost Marshal of the 2d District, which is hereunto annexed, marked "C," dated January 4, 1865, and it contains the names of the men.

Q. What statements did they make to you about these men.

A. Well, they stated that they were men that had been enlisted and had been credited to no town, and were then in the service. They stated that they got them through an agent in Washington, who had been out there and collected the men. They stated that they had paid them bounties, but did not state how much.

Q. What, if anything, did they say about their authority to dispose of these men?

A. They stated that they had the authority of the Provost Marshal.

Q. Did you make any inquiry of the Provost Marshal, or the Adjutant General, as to the authority of Herriman, Libby & Co. to dispose of these men? and whether it was safe and proper to buy them to be credited on your quota, and if so, what?

A. I did make inquiry of said Morrill, and he said that he thought that we were perfectly safe in purchasing them.

Q. Was your town refused reimbursement for these men?

A. It was.

Q. Did you act in good faith in this matter, believing that these men were living men to go into the service of the United States on your quota?

A. I did.

I. G. KIMBALL.

[*Papers annexed to foregoing Deposition of I. G. Kimball.*]

A.

Auburn, January 6, 1865.

Received of I. G. Kimball four hundred and fifty dollars in full for one 3 years' man mustered to the credit of Bethel on the 4th inst.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

B.

Auburn, January 6, 1865.

Received of Major G. A. Hastings five thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars for thirteen men enlisted into the United States service for three years, and credited to the town of Bethel.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

C.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine, }
January 14, 1865. }

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Bethel (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

NAMES.	Recruit for which regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
James C. Kelley	Not known.	Not known.	3 years.
Michael Boyle	do.	do.	do.
John Swallow	do.	do.	do.
Alexander McPherson	do.	do.	do.
Michael Milady	do.	do.	do.
John Shea	do.	do.	do.
James Dodderville	do.	do.	do.
James Dougherty	do.	do.	do.
Claudius A Bailey	do.	do.	do.
Thomas Stevenson	do.	do.	do.
George Warwick	do.	do.	do.
Marshall Given	do.	do.	do.
Henry McNally	do.	do.	do.
Bernard McGee	do.	do.	do.

Fourteen persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

HORATIO HIGHT of Scarboro', sworn and examined.

BY MR. TALBOT.

Q. Were you agent of the town of Scarboro' to fill a quota of the town under some call of 1864?

A. I was.

Q. In that capacity did you have any talk with or receive any offers from one John P. Heath in relation to filling a quota of the town? and if so, state what the talk was.

A. I asked Mr. Heath if he could arrange to put any men on the quota of Scarboro', and he said he could put in what they might want. We talked of ten men. I understood they were to be naval credits already in the navy. I had no knowledge in what ship or where recruited.

Q. State whether or not you consummated the trade, and if not, why not?

A. I did not, because I was advised by the Adjutant General, after explaining to him the talk with Heath, not to have anything to do with Heath's men; and upon that I had nothing more to do with the matter.

Q. What officer of you town, according to your knowledge and belief, went on and consummated the matter?

A. Mr. James Gunnison, chairman of the selectmen.

Q. Do you understand that Mr. Gunnison filled the quota with naval credits similar to those offered to you by Heath?

A. I have no information upon that.

Q. Look at this paper which is a return of residents of Scarboro' liable to duty in the military or naval service of the United States, and state if you know in whose hand writing the filling of the blank and the signatures are. The return is dated August 18, 1864.

A. It resembles Mr. Gunnison's, and I have no doubt it is his. I mean both the filling and the signatures.

Q. How many of the persons named in said return do you know to have been residents of Scarboro', or to bear family names of residents of Scarboro'?

A. I cannot say that I know that any of them were residents of the town. Monroe, Carter, Brown, Foye, Jones and Holmes, are Scarboro' surnames.

Q. As to the other names, have you any knowledge of such persons or families in said town?

A. I have not.

HORATIO HIGHT.

An extract copy from the records of the town of Sanford of a vote passed at a meeting held on the 13th day of August, A. D. 1864.

On motion, voted to choose a committee of one person and authorize him to use all means in his power, and go wherever he may think best, and incur whatever expense necessary in so doing to recruit men, find substitutes or negotiate with some other person or persons to fill the quota of this town, and report at a future meeting of the town.

On motion, voted and chose George A. Frost committee for the above purpose.

I hereby certify, that the above is a true copy from the records of the town of Sanford.

Attest: JOHN A. DENNETT, Town Clerk of Sanford.

Sanford, July 19, 1870.

I, George A. Frost of Sanford, in the County of York and State of Maine, depose, testify and say, that in August, A. D. 1864, I was authorized by the town of Sanford aforesaid, at a legal meeting of the inhabitants of said Sanford, to enlist men for the quota of said Sanford, and to pay a bounty to men so enlisted. On or about the 22d day of September, A. D. 1864, I was at Augusta for the purpose of filling Sanford's quota, and one Joseph Manley informed me that he had men enlisted at the front or at Washington that was not assigned to any town. I negotiated with said Manley for four of those men for the town of Sanford, and went with said Manley to the Acting Assis't Provost

Marshal's office, and Manley took a certificate from the Acting Assis't Provost Marshal, W. H. Fogler, dated September 22, 1864, (which I attach to this affidavit) that four men not heretofore credited to the town of Sanford, are this day credited to the town of Sanford, and the Acting Assis't Provost Marshal told me that the names of the men should be sent the next day. I did not pay said Manley for said four men until after I saw Major Gardiner and asked him if I bought those men of Manley if it would be all correct. Major Gardiner told me it would be all correct; then I paid said Manley for the four men $1600, the price agreed upon, he promising me that the names of the men should be forwarded. I saw said Manley afterwards, and have written him several times for the names of these four men, but the names were never furnished. I took a receipt of Manley for the money paid for these four men, at the time I paid over the money, and turned the receipt over to the town treasurer in the settlement with the town. At the time that I negotiated with said Manley for said men I acted for the town in good faith, supposing that said men were then in the service of the United States, or were at once to be mustered into the service, from the fact that the Assistant Provost Marshal and Major Gardiner had both informed me that it was all correct.

GEO. A. FROST.

Sworn to this the 19th day of July, A. D. 1870.

Before me, A. W. Dam, Justice of the Peace.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Affidavit of G. H. Frost.*]

Office Acting Assistant Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., September 22, 1864.

This certifies that four (4) men not heretofore credited to the town of Sanford, First Congressional District of Maine, are this day credited to that town and will be so reported to the Provost Marshal of the District on this day's report of credits.

W. H. Fogler, Capt. and Inspector.

Augusta, Me., Friday, July 22, 1870.

Benjamin Turner of Leeds, sworn and examined.

By Mr. TALBOT.

Q. Were you or not one of the selectmen of the town of Leeds for 1864–5, and in that capacity did you assist in filling the quotas of your town?

A. I was, and did assist in filling its quotas.

Q. State the means which you took to fill your quotas.

A. To fill the quotas, excepting the last, we enlisted men ourselves, and mostly from our town. To fill the last quota, we agreed with Herriman, Libby & Co. of Auburn, to put in from seven to ten men. We had a written agreement with them, and we deposited money enough in the Lewiston Falls Bank to meet it, and the cashier was to pay it out when a certificate of credit of a man or of men was presented to him.

Q. Have you said agreement, and if not, where is it, and if not known, state what the agreement was?

A. We have not the agreement; it went into the hands of the next board of selectmen, and I do not know where it is. I do not remember the terms of the agreement, but I think we were to pay $325 for one year's men and $450 for three years' men, and they were to fill the quota at those rates. The money was to be paid by Small, the cashier, as fast as the brokers presented him proper vouchers that men had been furnished and credited to our town.

Q. Had you any expectation or intention in this arrangement with said brokers, to procure any other than actual enlistments of men in this State?

A. We had not. We expected they would put in as good men as we had put in from our own town.

Q. Had you, at that time, any knowledge or intimation that credits could be assigned to towns for men already in either the military or naval service?

A. I had no such knowledge or intimation.

Q. Under the authority upon which you were acting, would you have procured any such credits knowingly?

A. I should not.

Q. Were the certificates furnished the cashier of the bank in accordance with the agreement made with Herriman, Libby & Co.?

A. I find among the papers of the town a certificate of Nahum Morrill, Provost Marshal of the 2d District, dated January 7, 1865, which certificate is hereto annexed, marked "A."

Q. Are the five names, mentioned in said certificate, names of persons, resident in Leeds, or that you ever knew?

A. They are not.

BENJAMIN TURNER.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of Benj. Turner.*]

Provost Marshal General's Office, 2d District, State of Maine, January 7, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Leeds (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records for return to the Adjutant General of Maine:

NAMES.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
John T. Smith	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
Patrick O'Brien	do.	do.	do.
John C. Brown	do.	do.	do.
Patrick Cummings	do.	do.	do.
Thomas B. Forgan	do.	do.	do.

Five persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal, 2d District, Mustering Officer.

AUGUSTA, ME., Wednesday, July 27, 1870.

LEVI ANDREWS of Pleasant Ridge Plantation, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Did Pleasant Ridge Plantation, by vote, in a meeting called for that purpose, choose Horatio Andrews agent of said plantation to fill its quota, under the call of December 19, 1864?

A. Yes, Sir.

Q. Was Horatio Andrews, at that time, one of the assessors of said plantation?

A. I am very sure he was.

Q. Did he proceed to obtain men to fill the quota?

A. He did.

Q. Where did he go for that purpose?

A. To Skowhegan.

Q. Did he obtain men, and if so, how many, and of whom?

A. He did obtain three men of Tillson H. Dinsmore of Skowhegan, as he informed me.

Q. What did he say he paid for these men?

A. I think he said he paid $450 apiece for two 3 years' men and $540 for a one year's man.

Q. Did he mention the names of the two three years' men to you?

A. I think he did, but I do not recollect them.

Q. Did he show you any paper containing the names of these two three years' men?

A. I hav'nt any recollection that he did, but I think he had the name of Perley A. Bickford, the one year's man, and that there was some delay in getting the names of the two three years' men.

Q. Did said plantation pay said Horatio Andrews the money which he gave said Dinsmore for said three years' men?

A. It did; I paid it myself as treasurer of the plantation.

Q. Upon being shown the claim of said plantation, dated February 9, 1869, for reimbursement, are you not satisfied that the sum of $417.50 was paid for each of said three years' men?

A. I am.

Q. Is said Horatio Andrews now living?

A. He is not. He died January 31, 1870. He was my son.

Q. Have you any papers as to said three years' men being allowed on said quota from the Provost Marshal of this District?

A. Not to my knowledge.

LEVI ANDREWS.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, July 28, 1870.

GEORGE L. RIGGS of Chesterville, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Were you agent of the town of Chesterville to fill its quota on some call in 1864, and if so, what call?

A. I was, and I think on the call of July, 1864.

Q. How many men did you purchase?

A. Five.

Q. Of whom did you purchase them, and what did you pay for them?

A. I purchased them of J. H. Manley & Co., for $2,000.

Q. What did said Manley say, if anything, about these men, who they were or where they were, or by what authority he sold them?

A. Well, sir, I do not recollect what he said about them.

Q. Did you make any inquiry, before you closed the trade, of the Adjutant General of this State, or of any Provost Marshal, as to Manley's authority to sell them, or as to whether it would be right for you to purchase them to fill your quota?

A. My best recollection is, that I did.

Q. What was your inquiry, and what reply did you get?

A. My inquiry was of the Adjutant General, I think, and to know if I purchased these men of Manley whether they would be allowed on our quota; and he said they would be so credited, I think.

Q. Did you receive any certificate from the Provost Marshal of the 2d District that these men had been credited to your town on your quota under said call?

A. I don't recollect that I did.

Q. Did you see any of these men, or have their names furnished you?

A. I did not.

Q. Did Manley state to you whether they were aliens or citizens of the United States, or in the naval service or in the army of the United States?

A. I don't recollect that he did.

Q. Did he give you a receipt for the money paid for these men, and if so, where is it?

A. The receipt was given to Mr. William A. Whittier of Chesterville, of whom I had $400 of the money, I think, and through whom I paid the balance. Mr. C. V. Pinkham, one of the present selectmen, informed me before coming down here that the receipt was with the Commissioners on Equalization of Municipal War Debts. I left it with the selectmen soon after it was taken; I do not find it, and I have reason to suppose that it is with General Hodsdon of Augusta, who acted as attorney of the town before said Commissioners, and I will give you an order on General Hodsdon for said receipt to be annexed—if obtained—to my deposition. (Annexed, marked A.)

Q. After you purchased said men, did you call upon General Hodsdon to see if said men were allowed on your quota, and if so, what did he say?

A. I don't recollect that I called on him.

Q. Did you see that they were credited to Chesterville on the books of the Provost Marshal of the 2d District?

A. I don't recollect that I did.

Q. Did the Provost Marshal at any time state to you that they were so credited?

A. I think not.

Q. From all the knowledge you had, did you believe that said men were actually men going into the service of the United States on your quota?

A. Well, I should say I did not think so, because I supposed that they were already in the service.

Q. State the reasons for such supposition?

A. Well, I think I had heard or learned that the brokers who sold such men had them already in the service who had not been credited to any town.

GEO. L. RIGGS.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of Geo. L. Riggs.*]

Augusta, September 22, 1864.

Received of M. A. Whittier two thousand dollars for five men credited to Chesterville.

(Signed) J. H. MANLEY.

AUGUSTA, ME., Monday, August 8, 1870.

T. J. SOUTHARD of Richmond, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN:

Q. Did you, in 1864, as Commissioner of the town of Richmond, procure men to fill its quota under call of July, 1864?

A. I procured some. I can't remember how many. Mr. Colby of Litchfield, formerly a preacher, came down to Richmond and offered to fill the quota of the town for $300 per man; and we told him if he would do it, we would give him $300 per man; but he did not do it in season, and I and Mr. Blanchard came to Augusta, and I met Mr. Delany and Mr. Colby—they were together. They said they would fill the quota, and I might depend upon it, for $300 apiece. I told them that I would give it to them, and when they fetched me a certificate from the Provost Marshal of our District that the quota of our town was full under the July call, I would pay them; and they brought me a certificate that I didn't like, because it was signed by the Acting Provost Marshal, and I told them that if they would get a certificate from the Adjutant General that the quota was filled, I would pay them. They brought me the certificate from the Adjutant General, dated September 9, 1864, hereto annexed, marked "A," and I paid them; but I can't tell what sum, nor the number of men that I bought of them.

Q. What statements, if any, did said Delany and Colby, or either, make in relation to these men?

A. I have no recollection of any. They might; but I don't remember. I relied on the annexed statement of the Adjutant General, and believed that they were real men.

Q. Did you ever see the names of said men?

A. No, sir.

Q. Did you know whether these were aliens or citizens of the United States?

A. No, sir.

Q. Will you, if you ascertain the amount paid by you for said men, on your return home, furnish us with that amount, and with any paper which you may have as vouchers for it?

A. Yes, sir, I will.

T. J. SOUTHARD.

A.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of T. J. Southard.*]

STATE OF MAINE.

Headquarters, Adjutant General's Office,
Augusta, September 9th, 1864.

Mr. Southard:—The quota of Richmond under call of July 18, 1864, is filled.

Yours truly,

(Signed) JOHN L. HODSDON, Adj't General.

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, August 9, 1870.

JESSE DAVIS of Lisbon, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN:

Q. Were you one of the selectmen of Webster in 1864–5?

A. I was.

Q. In that capacity, did you purchase men to fill your quota of December, 1864?

A. I did.

Q. Of whom did you purchase said men?

A. I purchased four of Herriman, Libby & Co.

Q. Did you have any certificate of the Provost Marshal of your District that said four men were allowed on your quota?

A. Yes, sir, and I annex it to my deposition. It is dated January 11, 1865, and marked A.

Q. What sum did you pay said Herriman, Libby & Co., for said four men?

A. Eighteen hundred dollars as per their receipt, hereto annexed, dated January 17, 1865, marked B.

Q. What, if anything, did said Herriman, Libby & Co., state about these men, as to who they were and where they were, and their right to sell them?

A. I do not now recollect, except that they assured me they had authority to sell them and that it would be all right.

Q. Did you make any inquiries of the Provost Marshal or of the Adjutant General of this State about the right of said Herriman, Libby & Co. to sell these men to be allowed on your quota?

A. Well, I should think I did not.

Q. Did you purchase other men to fill said quota, and if so, how many, and of whom?

A. I purchased other men. I purchased three, I think, of Delany of Augusta.

Q. Did you have any certificate to show that these men were credited on your quota?

A. I did. I had the certificate of R. M. Littler, hereto annexed, dated January 3, 1865, and marked C.

Q. What sum did you pay Delany for these men?

A. I think I paid $450 per man.

Q. Had you any receipt for this money from Delany?

A. I did, but it has been lost or mislaid.

Q. Did he make any representations about these men and his authority to sell them, and if so, what?

A. I don't recollect what statements he made, except that he assured me that he had authority to sell these men and that it was all right.

Q. Did you make any inquiries of any officer of the United States or of this State, as to his authority to sell these men to be allowed on your quota?

A. I don't recollect that I did.

Q. Did the seven men above mentioned reside at that time, or at any time before, in the town of Webster, to your knowledge?

A. They did not.

JESSE DAVIS.

[*Papers annexed to the foregoing Deposition of Jesse Davis.*]

A.

Provost Marshal's Office, 2d District, State of Maine,
January 11, 1865.

I certify that the following named persons have been duly enlisted and mustered into the service of the United States on the quota of Webster (sub-district) in this District, entry of which muster and quota has been made upon my records:

Names.	Recruit for which Regiment.	Date of muster.	Remarks.
Thomas P. Fagan	U. S. Marine Corps.	Not known.	3 years.
John Keeley	do.	do.	do.
John C. Brown	do.	do.	do.
Patrick Swann	do.	do.	do.

Four persons in all.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District, Mustering Officer.

B.

Auburn, January 17, 1865.

Received of Jesse Davis the sum of eighteen hundred dollars in full for four men mustered in the United States service for three years and credited to the quota of Webster.

(Signed) HERRIMAN, LIBBY & Co.

C.

Office of A. A. Provost Marshal General,
Augusta, Me., January 3, 1865.

The following credits have this day been made on the quota of Webster: J. H. Howe, Wm. Poor, Dennis Smith. Three in number.

(Signed) R. M. LITTLER, A. A. Pro. Mar. General,
and Sup't Vol. Rect'g Service.

[*Endorsement on the foregoing.*]

Provost Marshal's Office, Auburn, January 26, 1865.

I certify that the within names have been received at this office.

(Signed) NAHUM MORRILL, Capt. and Provost Marshal,
2d District of Maine.

AUGUSTA, ME., Thursday, August 11, 1870.

GEORGE S. COMINS of Eddington, sworn and examined.

BY MR. SANBORN.

Q. Did the town of Eddington, on the 21st day of January, 1865, hold a meeting for the purpose of seeing if the town would raise money to pay bounty to volunteers to fill the town's quota under the call of the President for 300,000 men, being the call of December 19, 1864?

A. It did.

Q. Did the town at this meeting vote to pay soldiers a bounty of $500 for three years' service?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Who, if any one, appeared in this meeting and offered to furnish men to fill the quota of Eddington?

A. A Mr. Archer of Bangor. He lived in Bangor, as I am informed. He was called Captain Archer.

Q. How many men did Eddington want at this time to fill its quota?

A. Seven, I believe.

Q. State what offer said Archer made.

A. He offered to furnished men to fill the quota of the town for $500 a man. Subsequently he reduced the price to $475 per man.

Q. What action was had upon this offer?

A. The offer was accepted. Money was raised to pay for the men. Seven men were credited on the quota of Eddington. The town officers hearing a rumor—I think seeing something in the papers—that there was something wrong about it, refused to pay over the money. They offered to give a conditional contract to pay in one year if the credits were not disturbed, or he

(Archer) might take the men. Finally he concluded to take the contract. At this time it appeared that G. P. Cochrane was a party to the contract, and a conditional note for $2800 was given to said Cochrane. The note is hereto annexed, marked "A," dated April 3, 1865, and signed by Lawson Woodbury and H. M. Shaw, selectmen, and B. V. Comins, treasurer, whose names have been stricken out since the note was given up to Eddington.

Q. Was a suit commenced on said note by said Cochrane against the town of Eddington, and if so, in what year, according to your recollection?

A. It was sometime in 1866.

Q. Who was the attorney for the plaintiff in that suit?

A. A. Libby.

Q. Who was the attorney for Eddington in that matter?

A. Hon. John A. Peters.

Q. Did the attorney of Eddington have any correspondence with said Libby and with Daniel T. Pike, and William T. Johnson, cashier of the Granite Bank at Augusta, in regard to said note and action?

A. He did.

Q. Have you letters of said Libby and Pike & Cochrane touching said note and action, and if so, will you annex them to this deposition?

A. I have such letters, and will annex them. The first letter is dated April 14, 1866, signed by said Cochrane, and addressed to said Johnson. It is marked B. The second is dated June 27, 1866, signed by Daniel T. Pike, and addressed to Hon. John A. Peters. It is marked C. The third is dated June 10, 1867, signed by A. Libby, and addressed to said Peters. It is marked D. The fourth is dated June 15, 1867, signed by A. Libby, and addressed to said Peters. It is marked E.

Q. Did said selectmen and treasurer, at the same time, give a similer note to said Archer, and if so, for what sum?

A. They did give a similar note, and I believe it was for the sum of $525.

Q. Has said note to said Cochrane been given up to Eddington, and the action upon it stopped?

A. Yes.

Q. How much did said Eddington pay therefor?

A. Fifty dollars.

Q. Has the town of Eddington paid anything on the note given to Archer?

A. No, sir; but about the time the Cochrane note was settled the town offered to pay ten dollars for the Archer note, and we have never heard from it since.

Q. Did you obtain the names of said seven men, and if so, have you any paper showing their names?

A. I did, and it is hereto annexed, marked F. It purports to be a transcript from the book of credits under call of December 19, 1864, 4th District of Maine, and contains the names of said men.

Q. When the town of Eddington accepted said offer of said Archer, was it done in good faith, and under the belief that said men were actual men to go into the service of the United States under said call?

A. It was. GEO. S. COMINS.

[*Annexed to the foregoing Deposition of Geo. S. Comins.*]

F.

Quota seven. Eddington.

1.	McConnell, George.....	3	Marine Corps.	Jan. 26, '65.	Recruit.
2.	Moore, Stephen.....	3	do.	do.	do.
3.	Meahan, Daniel.....	3	do.	do.	do.
4.	Matthews, Charles.....	3	do.	do.	do.
5.	Norris, John.....	3	do.	do.	do.
6.	Page, James C.....	3	do.	do.	do.
7.	Buntschke, Ernest.....	3	do.	do.	do.

I certify that the above is a true transcript from the "Book of Credits under call of December 19, 1864," 4th District of Maine, and comprises the names of all men credited to Eddington under that call.

(Signed) THOS. C. J. BAILY, Capt. U. S. Army,
A. A. P. M. General.

[NOTE.—*The papers referred to, in the Deposition of George S. Comins, as annexed and marked respectively* A, B, C, D *and* E, *do not appear among the papers transmitted to the Senate, but the envelope which contains the foregoing paper marked* F, *bears the following endorsement*:—"It is thought unnecessary to copy the other papers in this case."—SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.]

AUGUSTA, ME., Tuesday, September 20, 1870.

ELISHA S. CASE of Readfield, sworn and examined.

BY GEN. CONNOR:

Q. Were you a selectman of Readfield for the years 1864–5?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you, in that capacity, purchase men or credits of J. H. Manley and Colby & Pike to be allowed on your quotas? If so, how many, and at what price?

A. Yes, two men of Manley, but the records of the town show, I think, that six men were purchased of him. I think my colleague must have purchased the other four; I have no recollection of bargaining for them. I think the price of the Manley men was $500 apiece. I purchased eight of Colby & Pike for $375 each.

Q. Did Manley state to you who these men you were buying were, whether they were already in the service?

A. I think he told me that they were already in the service.

Q. Did you require any evidence that they were credited to your town, before you paid for them?

A. I did. I am quite positive that I went to the Provost Marshal's office, and saw, myself, that they were credited to the town.

Q. Were you furnished with the names of the men.

A. No, sir. I asked for their names, and I was answered that the names couldn't be given then. I don't recollect who I inquired of, but it was some one who, I supposed, had authority to give their names.

Q. Were you furnished with any certificate by the Provost Marshal or the Adjutant General, of the credit of these men to your town?

A. I wouldn't say that I was; but I think that I was.

Q. Did you negotiate with one, or with both members of the firm of Pike & Colby for the eight men had of them?

A. I think the whole conversation was with Pike.

Q. What representations did he make with regard to the men and his authority to dispose of them?

A. I think that he said that they were in the service. I do not recollect whether he said they were in the military or naval service. I don't recollect that he told me how he came by them or what authority he had to sell them.

Q. Did you require any evidence of their credit to your town, before paying Pike & Colby for them?

A. My impression is that he gave me a certificate from the Provost Marshal; and then, I think, I went to the Provost Marshals' and saw that they were credited to the town.

Q. What guaranty did you have or suppose you had of the correctness of the transaction with Pike & Colby—that the men you had of them were bona fide men?

A. The fact that they were credited to our town by the Provost Marshal. I supposed that he was an honest man and that it was all right, and was satisfied without inquiring farther.

By Mr. TALBOT:

Q. Have you, or did you ever have, a list of the eight men bought of Pike & Colby?

A. I think not. I made an application for the list and was told by those whom I supposed ought to be able to furnish their names—I don't now recollect who it was—that they couldn't be furnished then, and don't recollect that they ever were furnished. I think they never were furnished.

Q. Was the town's claim for reimbursement for the men relative to whom you have testified, disallowed by the Commission on Equalizing War Debts, if so, upon what ground?

A. I couldn't say only from hearsay. I understood that they were disallowed. I couldn't say that they were disallowed.

E. S. CASE.

SCHEDULE B.

[*See letter from E. D. Townsend, A. G. U. S. A., pages* 399 *and* 400.]

List of names of the men borne upon the "Table" furnished by the "Commission of Investigation" of the State of Maine, accompanying their letter of September 3, 1870, to the Governor of Maine, whose credits to localities are verified by the records of the A. A. P. M. G. and Provost Marshals of the State of Maine, now on file in this office.

NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
Michael M. Mulhan	Marine Corps	Alna, 3d District.
John Maxwell	do	do do
Patrick Kearney	do	do do
Richard Missett	do	do do
Robert McKenney	do	do do
Michael McLuad	do	do do
Joseph Thomas	Army, U. S. C. T.	do do
Bryant Lurrn	do do	do do
William A. Weaver	Army, D. C. Inf.	do do
William Weason	Marine Corps	Andover, 2d District.
John Terry	do	do do
Christopher Lutz	do	do do
John Lynch	do	do do
William Barry	do	do do
John Kelley	do	Anson, 3d District.
Alfred A. Thatcher	do	do do
Edwin G. Hoyt	do	do do
Patrick Train	do	do do
Andrew W. Anderson	do	do do
George W. Brown	do	do do
George K. Bartel	do	Athens, 3d District.
William Williams (or Nelling)	do	do do
Henry R. Kepp	do	do do
Wm. H. Adams	do	do do
Thomas McHam	do	do do
Thomas N. Darling	do	do do
Charles Myhar	do	do do
James Alexander	do	do do
S. Spencer	Navy	Atkinson, 4th District.
Peter White	do	do do
Silas Smith	do	do do
J. Murphy, 3d	do	do do
E. Townsend	do	do do
J. J. West	do	do do
John Whipple	do	do do
John D. Hillsman	Marine Corps	Auburn, 2d District.
Richard Hurd	do	do do
Richard Hogg	do	do do
Thomas Kelley	do	do do
Brieman Keens	do	do do
John Lyons	do	do do
James C. Kelley	do	Bethel, 2d District.

Names furnished by Commission of Investigation—Continued.

NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
Michael Boyle	Marine Corps	Bethel, 2d District.
John Swallow	do	do do
Alex McPherson	do	do do
Michael Milady	do	do do
John Shea	do	do do
James Dodderville	do	do do
James Dougherty	do	do do
Claudius A. Bailey	do	do do
Thomas Stevenson	do	do do
George Warwick	do	do do
Marshal Given	do	do do
Henry McNally	do	do do
Bernard McGee	do	do do
H. W. Anderson	Navy	Bingham, 3d District.
George E. Beals	do	do do
W. H. Bishop	do	do do
L. Crane	do	do do
J. H. Collins	do	do do
James Davis	do	do do
J. H. Moore	do	do do
Robert Dougherty	Marine Corps	Boothbay, 3d District.
Enoch Jones	do	do do
Henry Little	do	do do
John Mayberry	do	do do
Edward Walters	do	do do
William A. Warwick	Navy	do do
John Maher	Marine Corps	Bowdoinham, 2d District.
Dennis Sullivan	do	do do
Rufus E. Wilcox	do	do do
Francis Hamil	do	do do
Christopher Mullady	do	do do
Robert M. Taylor	do	do do
John Droper	do	do do
James Munday	do	do do
Charles D. Bryant	Navy	China, 3d District.
G. H. S. Bickman	do	do do
Henry T. Bingham	do	do do
C. N. Eldridge	do	do do
W. Carr	do	do do
Martin J. Fallon	do	do do
N. F. Ford	do	do do
Henry Green	do	do do
D. Gibbon	do	do do
George Hixon	do	do do
Henry Wilhelmi	Marine Corps	Corinna, 4th District.
Thomas O. Shea	do	do do
Newton H. Scarlett	do	do do
Peter Borman	do	do do
John S. Brandt	do	do do
James A. Caldwell	do	do do
Joseph Dunbar	do	do do
Augustus Fornhof	do	do do
Carl Wagner	do	do do
B. Franklin Shoemaker	do	do do
James J. Brown	do	do do
Charles Brinkman	do	do do
James Brown	do	do do
Sebastian Dana	do	do do
Lehman B. Fox	do	do do
Jno. Christian Gerst, (or Zerst)	do	do do
Hamilton Williams	do	Dexter, 4th District.
Henry N. Schmidt	do	do do
James Mullen	do	do do

Names furnished by Commission of Investigation—Continued.

NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
Henry Morris	Marine Corps	Dexter, 4th District.
George Strutton	do	do do
Thomas Quinn	do	do do
Ernest Platz (or Pratty)	do	do do
J. W. Mattock	do	do do
George McConnell	do	Eddington, 4th District.
Stephen Moore	do	do do
Daniel Meahan	do	do do
Charles Matthews	do	do do
John Norris	do	do do
James C. Page	do	do do
Ernest Buntschke	do	do do
William H. Rice	do	Embden, 3d District.
Thomas N. Buckley	do	do do
Joseph Barbridge	do	do do
Austin Grines, (or Grimes)	do	do do
Haley Riley	do	do do
Richard McKenney	do	do do
George Stanton	do	do do
John Ayers	do	do do
Jesse Brunckback	do	do do
Patrick Murphy	do	do do
William Troughton	do	do do
Charles P. Brown	do	do do
William E. Alardt	do	Fairfield, 3d District.
Thomas Fulton	do	do do
James L. Ward	do	do do
Joseph Stokle	do	do do
Daniel Carr	do	do do
Stephen Dempsey	do	do do
Joseph Frantas	do	do do
Andrew Caffrey	do	do do
D. B. Fox	Navy	Freeport, 1st District.
W. Fish	do	do do
C. Garsidea (or P. Gardiner)	do	do do
S. M. Knight	do	do do
George A. Knapp	do	do do
F. Lefeck	do	do do
Jno. Lawrence	do	do do
A. J. Lapham	do	do do
Elijah W. Randall	do	do do
J. K. Rodo	do	do do
James Andres	do	Friendship, 3d District.
M. S. West	do	do do
John J. Smith	do	do do
George E. Phinney	do	do do
T. Mellen	do	do do
James McCarty	do	do do
N. Holburdon	do	do do
E. B. Howard	do	do do
John Evans	do	Greenwood, 2d District.
William E. Jones	do	do do
John Williams	do	do do
Hugh Daily	do	do do
David Shirre	do	do do
John Turrell	do	do do
Dominick Corbett	do	do do
John McLaughlin	do	do do
James A. Rose	do	do do
E. A. Hill	do	do do
John Ray	do	Hallowell, 3d District.
Joseph M. Terry	do	do do
J. Pond	do	do do

Names furnished by Commission of Investigation—Continued.

NAME.	Branch of Service	Where Credited.
Peter Daly	Navy	Hallowell, 3d District.
D. F. Barry	do	do do
J. A. Wentworth	do	Harmony, 3d District.
John S. Bond	do	do do
Antoine Felix	do	do do
James Norton	do	do do
Leavitt Thaxter	do	do do
James H. Knox	do	do do
Samuel Dutch	do	do do
Herord Dexter	do	do do
W. Eldridge	do	do do
James Columbus	do	do do
William Thompson	do	Hartford, 2d District.
J. W. Tucker	do	do do
William Connelly	do	do do
Patrick McCann	do	do do
A. McNichol	do	do do
Dennis Sullivan	do	do do
Isaac Totten	do	do do
Charles Thornton	do	do do
C. H. Myers	do	Lebanon, 1st District.
A. F. McDonald	do	do do
Thomas McKinley	do	do do
E. H. Nash	do	do do
H. H. Nichols	do	do do
F. Parker	do	do do
M. G. Pray	do	do do
John Pond	do	do do
E. Pies	do	do do
J. F. Roach	do	do do
John Raines	do	do do
J. A. Silver	do	do do
Julius Stone	do	do do
Samuel G. Tucker	do	do do
George F. Taylor	do	do do
John Ward	do	do do
S. Wilbur	do	do do
M. Williams	do	do do
D. Callum	do	do do
Timothy McDonald	do	do do
John T. Smith	Marine Corps	Leeds, 2d District.
Patrick O'Brien	do	do do
John C. Brown	do	do do
Patrick Cummings	do	do do
Thomas B. Forgan	do	do do
John A. Burke	do	Lewiston, 2d District.
William Moore	do	do do
Thomas Mehan	do	do do
Michael Mulloy	do	do do
William Roach	do	do do
James Brady	do	do do
James B. Crawsee	do	do do
William Cowan	do	do do
James C. Page	do	do do
Robert Knox	do	do do
Philander M. More	do	do do
John Carroll	do	do do
Might Curlow	do	do do
John Graves	do	do do
Benjamin Henecy	do	do do
Hiram Wayne	do	do do
James Bradley	do	do do
Lewis Nansschayer	do	do do

Names furnished by Commission of Investigation—Continued.

NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
Jacob Hollenberger	Marine Corps	Lewiston, 2d District.
George W. Wheeler	do	do do
John Nickery	do	do do
Frederick Andrew	do	do do
James Clark	do	do do
John Finnigan	do	do do
August Guathart	do	do do
Joseph McLaughlin	do	Lisbon, 2d District.
John B. Morgan	do	do do
Perry Stantus	do	do do
George W. Harris	do	do do
William H. Potts	do	do do
Andrew Tebbett	do	do do
Henry Foy	do	do do
John A. Eichel	do	do do
George W. Neville	do	do do
Augustus Greene	do	do do
William Douglass	Navy	Litchfield, 3d District.
John A. Lucas	do	do do
Virginious Moulton	do	do do
Daniel Bell	do	do do
Patrick Smith	do	do do
John Quincy (or Gainey)	do	do do
Charles Kimmerell	Marine Corps	do do
Joseph McAllister	do	do do
Edward Henry	do	Livermore, 2d District.
William Lacy	do	do do
O. Weld Thatcher	do	do do
Barney Silverman	do	do do
William Burk	do	do do
John L. Likens	do	do do
John O. Poole	do	do do
Alfred Wade	do	do do
Colin Campbell	do	do do
William Durgin	do	do do
John Forward	do	Mexico, 2d District
Henry N. Thompson	do	do do
Henry Jefery	do	do do
Philip Wright	do	do do
Patrick Williams	do	Mt. Vernon, 3d District.
James Gallagher	do	do do
Henry Brown	do	do do
Levins L. Goldy	do	do do
E. L. Barnes	Navy	do do
William H. Delancy	Marine Corps	Newport, 4th District.
William Noble	do	do do
William Jordan	do	do do
Charles J. Wall	do	do do
Jacob F. Menster	do	do do
Lawrence Hickey	do	do do
Samuel McNeil	do	do do
David Jones	do	do do
George Wise	do	do do
Robert Egman	do	do do
Charles H. Gillett	do	do do
John H. Valiant	do	do do
John A. Peoples	do	do do
Isaac Irwins	do	do do
Patrick Kenney	do	do do
Patrick J. Brien	do	do do
Michael Riley	do	do do
Reinkardt Zimmerman	do	do do
William Fondel	do	do do

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NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
James G. Jones	Marine Corps	Newport, 4th District.
Samuel D. Sharp	do	do do
William Woods	do	do do
F. Wilson	Navy	Nobleboro', 3d District.
P. B. Whittemore	do	do do
L. N. Blake	do	do do
Thomas Hammond	do	do do
A. Hodges	do	do do
George W. Hathaway	do	do do
John A. Morgan	do	do do
J. McLellan	do	do do
William E. Peck	do	do do
H. A. Lane	do	do do
Joseph W. Maxcy	do	Norridgewock, 3d District.
John Murphy	do	do do
A. C. Lewis	do	North Berwick, 1st District.
John Horne	do	do do
George Gilmore	do	do do
Lewis A. Horton	do	do do
William Townsend	Marine Corps	Palmyra, 3d District.
Samuel Newsome	do	do do
William I. Moore	do	do do
Andrew J. Fornlius	do	do do
Charles Brother	do	do do
Edmund Cole	do	do do
John Graham	do	do do
David Williams	do	do do
James L. Beck	do	do do
Henry Schaeffer	do	do do
Martin Marion	do	do do
George W. Beckford	do	do do
Dennis Foley	do	do do
Edwin Haggett	do	do do
John Newnan	do	Phillips, 2d District.
William O'Brien	do	do do
Andrew C. Dowd	do	do do
Michael O'Connor	do	do do
John F. Peterman	do	do do
Bernard Smith	do	do do
Thomas Stewart	do	do do
William Walsh	do	do do
William Simmons	do	do do
Bernard Schewegan	do	do do
William D. Mills	do	do do
John R. Franklin	do	do do
J. Andre	Navy	Pittsfield, 3d District.
J. Burns	do	do do
John Bryan	do	do do
W. R. Carey	do	do do
W. H. Case	do	do do
M. O. Dennett	do	do do
George S. Davis	do	do do
J. Evans	do	do do
E. Faithful	do	do do
G. Goldsmith	do	do do
J. S. Hemar	do	do do
Patrick Keen	do	do do
J. D. Sefton	do	do do
Thomas E. McGrath	do	Porter, 2d District.
S. H. Mandeville	do	do do
W. Williams	do	do do
A. Silva	do	do do
W. Duggan	do	do do

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NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
D. H. Brown	Navy	Porter, 2d District.
H. D. Martin	do	do do
W. Galliger	do	do do
J. Nelson	do	do do
Stephen Wentworth	do	do do
William Wilson	do	do do
Ed. Corkson	do	do do
W. Hart	do	do do
H. A. Newcomb	do	do do
Peter F. Burges (or Binger)	do	Richmond, 2d District.
Malcolm Leach	do	do do
Benjamin D. Morgan	do	do do
John S. Scott	do	do do
James Sharry	Marine Corps	Rumford, 2d District.
Patrick Coughlin	do	do do
William W. Warren	do	do do
Edwin Carvin	do	do do
John S. Gross	do	do do
Frank Howard	do	do do
James M. Pierce	do	do do
S. W. Brewer	do	do do
Thomas Clifford	do	Salem, 2d District.
Augustus R. Chase	do	do do
David Connell	do	do do
Joseph A. Clark	do	do do
Patrick Milan	do	Sidney, 3d District.
James Smith	do	do do
Charles E. Simmons	do	do do
Robert Bennett	do	do do
William Campbe	do	do do
Daniel McDonald	do	do do
Edward Stopher	do	do do
Albert A. Minster	do	do do
Alphonso Boisramen	do	do do
Denny Mason	do	do do
J. Frs. Horton	Navy	Southport, 3d District.
D. Hall	do	do do
Geo. P. Foy	do	do do
J. J. Giles	do	do do
D. Hamlin	do	do do
A. H. Hicks	do	do do
Nathaniel W. Silloway	do	Stow, 2d District.
Varney Kenney	do	do do
J. Hill	do	do do
J. F. Salvador	do	do do
M. Sullivan	do	do do
John Sifert	Marine Corps	Strong, 2d District.
Henry Duffy	do	do do
Abijah D. Ball	do	do do
James W. Campbell	do	do do
Henry Dennehowe	do	do do
John Haley	do	do do
George Jess	do	do do
Charles Anderson	Navy	Temple, 2d District.
Thomas Brown	do	do do
Charles Brown	do	do do
Charles Lewis	do	do do
George Moore	do	do do
George F. Oliver	do	do do
William Smith	do	do do
John Stanley	do	do do
George Young	do	do do
John Williams	do	do do

Names furnished by Commission of Investigation—Continued.

NAME.	Branch of Service	Where Credited.
W. H. Bishop	Navy	Thomaston, 3d District.
Wm. C. Clements	do	do do
Joseph Conant	do	do do
L. F. Dodge	do	do do
H. Dexter	do	do do
J. Eddy	do	do do
G. L. Fisher	do	do do
P. Galvin	do	do do
W. Howard	do	do do
T. Kenan	do	do do
E. T. Craine	do	do do
R. Dunham	do	do do
Charles McCarthy	do	do do
John A. Lewis	do	Union, 3d District.
Wilder McMitchell	do	do do
Philip Manning	do	do do
E. L. Noyes	do	do do
W. Sexton	do	do do
T. Sullivan	do	do do
J. Cass	do	do do
T. Caldwell	do	do do
Dennis Driscoll	do	do do
John Desmond	do	do do
A. Frazier	do	do do
Albert N. Greene	do	do do
C. T. Harkins	do	do do
I. Irvine	do	do do
Argus Peters	Marine Corps	Vassalboro', 3d District.
John Ford	do	do do
John Tyler	do	do do
James Alexander	do	do do
Jacob Beck	do	do do
Joseph Eckert	do	do do
Erastus Tilley	do	do do
Charles Williams	do	do do
Andrew Coffee	do	do do
John Brown	do	do do
Patrick Barry	do	do do
Richard S. Dolly	do	do do
William Kelley	do	do do
Charles A. Stevens	do	do do
Miles M. Oriatt (or Orcutt)	do	do do
William M. Smith	do	do do
George N. Auger	do	do do
Geo. W. Brandfield	do	do do
Jere C. Gregg	do	do do
Theodore R. Harris	do	do do
Absolom N. Ingersoll	do	do do
William J. Johnson	do	do do
Joseph L. Peasley	do	do do
Alexander Grant	do	do do
James McClure	do	do do
James Brown	do	do do
Preston Cannard	do	do do
William Gibbons	do	do do
Ashley Hendrick	do	do do
John Kremer	do	do do
William Parker	do	Waldoboro', 3d District.
Wm. H. Batts	do	do do
Edward Prince	do	do do
Walter Sniffins	do	do do
Patrick Lynch	do	do do
Alex. Logan	do	do do

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NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
John Sutton	Marine Corps	Waldoboro', 3d District.
Franklin Evans	do	do do
Chas. J. Grimes	do	do do
Calvin Munger	do	do do
James Benney	do	do do
Charles B. Blandervilla	do	do do
Jerry Brett	do	do do
Chas. Fisher	do	do do
Wm. H. Oakes	do	do do
Henry Busher	do	do do
David Boyd	do	do do
G. W. Henois	do	do do
John Hoban	do	do do
James Bradley	do	do do
Joseph Griffin	Navy	Wales, 2d District.
Thomas W. Long	do	do do
James McGee	do	do do
Michael Burgin	Marine Corps	do do
William Houghlin	do	do do
Herre McGuire	do	do do
Peter Clark	do	do do
Michael Coughlin	do	do do
William Kelley	do	do do
William Deven	do	do do
Alexander Coulter	do	do do
Isaac Wood	do	Warren, 3d District.
Henry C. Winger	do	do do
Daniel Connors	do	do do
James Cavanaugh	do	do do
James B. Fowler	do	do do
John Fitzgerald	do	do do
John McCabe	do	do do
James Shaw	do	do do
George W. Wheeler	do	do do
James H. Stephens	do	do do
Walter C. Clare	do	do do
James Medcalf	do	do do
Richard Fairclough	do	do do
Charles Gilligan	do	do do
Chas. J. O. Hagan	do	do do
L. F. Dodge	Navy	Waterville, 3d District.
O. Dean	do	do do
F. Meads	do	do do
A. A. Matherson	do	do do
Henry Putman	do	do do
J. S. Blow	do	do do
John M Rowe	do	do do
Samuel B. Randall	do	do do
S. Smith	do	do do
J. A. Rounds	do	do do
Thomas Abram	do	do do
J. Veazie	do	do do
John B. Boyle	do	do do
John Bustine	do	do do
D. W. Jackson	do	do do
D. O'Brien	do	do do
A. Rogers	do	do do
Francis A. Cobb	do	do do
James McGraw	do	do do
James Green	do	do do
Thomas P. Fagan	Marine Corps	Webster, 2d District.
John Keely	do	do do
John C. Brown	do	do do

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NAME.	Branch of Service.	Where Credited.
Patrick Swann	Marine Corps.	Webster, 2d District.
John B. Stanton	do	Winslow, 3d District.
John Mahoney	do	do do
William Ring	do	do do
John J. Curtis	do	do do
John Cassidy	do	do do
Timothy Kelley	do	do do
Charles Leaman	do	do do
James M. Roche	do	do do
John Sheehan	do	do do
Patrick McCabe	do	do do
Charles Forad	do	do do
Michael Kennedy	do	do do

War Department, Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D. C., October 26, 1870.

Official.

THOMAS M. VINCENT,
Ass't Adjutant General.

SCHEDULE C.

[*See note to letter of William Reynolds, page* 419.]

The following table contains names of municipalities in the State of Maine, specifying the Congressional District, the names of men or credits said to have been furnished upon quotas of said municipalities, and the branch of service to which it was asserted they belonged.

Name of town.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
	Michael M Mulhan	Marine Corps.	
	John Maxwell ×		Enl. 30 July,'62, at Phil.; disch. 30 July,'66.
	Patrick Kearney ×		Enl. 16 Jan.'62, at Wash.; disch. 16 Jan.'66.
	Richard Missett ×		Enl. 8, Aug.'62, at Wash.; disch. 16 Aug.'66.
	Robert McKenney ×		Enl. 13 Jan.'63, at Phila.; disch. 13 Jan.'67.
	Michael McLuad		
	Joseph Thomas		
	Bryant Lurrn		
Alna, 3d District.	William A Weaver		
	John Robinson	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Enl. Bost., Oct. 13,'64, 3 yr.; dis. Oct. 13,'67. Enl. Bost., Mar. 2,'64, 2yr.; dis. July 15,'67.
	George Patterson		Enl. Bost., Nov. 11,'64, 2yr.; dis. Aug. 23,'65.
	Charles Deanake		
	John Tucker		
	C P Rowe		
	R McMillan		
	Thomas K Norris		
	John Nicholas		
	Robert Williamson		
	George H Davidson		

× See letter of Wm. Reynolds, page 419, for explanation of cross mark.—S. W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

Names of Men or Credits upon Quotas of Towns—Continued.

Name of town.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Andover. 2d District.	William Weason		
	John Terry×		Enl. 12 June,'58, at Wash.; des. 17 Dec.'69.
	Christopher Lutz×	Marine	Enl. 23 Jan.'58, at Phila.; disch. 18 Nov.'65.
	John Lynch×	Corps.	Enl. 9 Aug.'61, Brooklyn; disch. 13 Sept.'65.
	William Barry×		Enl. 12 Jan.'58, at Phila.; disch. 26 Apr.'66.
Anson. 3d District.	John Kelley×		Enl. 21 Oct.'58, at Bost.; drowned 1 July,'61
	Alfred A Thatcher		
	Edwin G Hoyt×	Marine	Enl. 18 Aug. '62, at N. Y.; disch. 16 Dec.'65
	Patrick Train	Corps.	[Annapolis, Md.
	And'w W Anderson×		Enl. 4 Aug.'63, at N. Y.; now in service at
	George W Brown×		Enl. 23 Feb.'63, at Phila.; disch. 23 Feb.'67.
Athens. 3d District.	George K Bartel		
	William Williams		
	Henry R Kepp		
	Wm H Adams×	Marine	Enl. 11 Aug.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 11 Aug.'66.
	Thomas McHam	Corps.	
	Thomas V Darling×		Enl. 1 Sept.'62, at Brooklyn; disch. 1 Sept.'66
	Charles Myhar×		Enl. 11 Mar.'62, at N.Y.; deser. 21 July,'64.
	James Alexander×		Enl. 16 Dec.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 9 Jan.'67.
Atkinson. 4th District	S Spencer		
	Silas Smith		
	E Townsend	Navy or	
	J J West	Marine	
	John Whipple	Corps.	Enl. Boston, Dec. 16,'64, 3 yr.; dis. Feb. 8,'68
	Peter White		
	J Murphy, 3d		Find 11 John Murphys during 1864 & 1865.
Auburn, 2d District.	John D Hilsman		
	Richard Hurd×		Enl. 7 Aug., '62, at Phila; died 18 Sept.'65
	Richard Hogg×	Marine	Enl. 12 Dec.'62, at Cin.; disch. 18 July, '65
	Thomas Kelleg×	Corps.	Enl. 24 Aug.'62, at Phila; disch. 24 Aug.'65
	Breman Keens		
	John Lyons×		Enl. 3 Aug. '64, at Portsm'th; des. 19 Mar'65
Bethel, 2d District.	James C Kelley×		Enl. 10 June '62, at Phila.; des. Nov. '66.
	Michael Boyle×		Enl. 15 Aug.'63, at Chi'go; disch. 29 Feb. '64.
	John Swallow×		Enl. 12 June '62, at Phila.; des. 24 July '65
	Alex. McPherson×		Enl. 3 Mar. '62, at Phila.; disch. 5 Mar. '66
	Michael Milady		
	John Shea×		Enl. 25 Mar. '62, at Phil.; disch. 25 Mar. '66
	James Dodderville	Marine	
	James Dougherty	Corps or	
	Claudius A Bailey×	Navy.	Enl. 3 May '62, at Brooklyn; disch. 7 Oct.'64
	Thomas Stevenson×		Enl. 7 Apr. '62, at Phila.; disch. 28 Oct. '65.
	George Warwick		
	Marshal Given		
	Henry McNally		
	Bernard McGee		Enl. at Boston June 16'64, 3 yrs.; d. June 23'64
Bingham, 3 District.	H W Anderson		Hans Anderson, enl. at Boston, Oct. 11 '65,
	George E. Beals		[R April 21, '67.
	W H Bishop	Marine	
	L Crane	Corps or	
	J H Collins	Navy.	
	James Davis+		Enl. 18 Oct. '64, at Phila.; disch. 16 Aug.'66
	J H Moore		Jos. H., enl. May 11 64, 2yrs. dis. Sept. 6,'65.

Names of Men or Credits upon Quotas of Towns—Continued.

Name of town	Names of men.	Branch of	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Boothbay, 3d District.	Robert Dougherty×	Marine Corps or Navy.	Enl. 25 Nov. '62, at N. Y.; disch. 5 Dec. '66
	Enoch Jones		
	Henry Little×		Enl. 14 July'62, at Boston; disch. 27 July'66
	John Mayberry		
	Edward Walters		
	William A. Warwick		
Bowdoinham, 2 District.	John Maher×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 20 July '63, at Phila.; disch. 20 May'66
	Dennis Sullivan×		Enl. 9 Oct. '58, at Gosport; disch. 26 Dec.'66
	Rufus E. Wilcox×		Enl. 10 Dec. '62, at N. Y.; disch. 27 Oct. '65
	Francis Hamil		
	ChristophMullady×		Enl. 3 Jan.'62,at Brooklyn; disch. 6 Mar.'66
	Robert M. Taylor		
	John Droper×		Enl. 11 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch. 11 Dec.'66
	James Munday×		Enl. 26 Nov.'62, at Phila.; disch. 26 Nov.'66
China. 3d District.	F L Tobitt (Talbot)	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Feb. 17, '62.
	C L Stevens		Jan. 4, '62.
	Henry Wilson		Feb. 10, '62.
	Patrick Barry		Jan. 31, '62.
	Robert D Burns		March 21, '62.
	William Hudson		March 4, '62.
	Edmund Higgins		March 25, '62.
	J W Murray		March 28, '62.
	Charles D Bryant	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	G H S Beckman		
	Henry T Bingham		
	C N Eldridge		
	W Carr		Wm. enl. Nov. 3, '64, Boston, for 3 yrs.; dis.
	Martin J Fallan		[Oct. 25, '67.
	N F Ford		
	Henry Green×		Enl. 4 Oct. '64, at Phila.; disch. 4 Oct. '68.
	D Gibbon		
	George Hixon		
Corinna. 4th District	Henry Wilhelmi×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 29 June,'63, at N.Y.; disch. 29 June,'67
	Thomas O Shea		
	Newton H Scarlett×		Enl. 2 Dec.'62, at St. Louis; deser. 9 Feb.'66.
	Peter Borman×		Enl. 4 Aug '63, at Chicago; died 18 May,'66.
	John S Brandt×		Enl. 20 July,'62, at Phil.; disch. 29 July,'66.
	James A Caldwell		
	Joseph Dunbar×		Enl. 17 Aug.'63, atChicago; disch. 6 Dec.'67.
	Augustus Fornhof		
	Carl Wagner×		Enl. 29 Sept.'59,at Phila.; died. 30 Sept.'66.
	B Franklin Shoemaker×		Enl. 31 Oct.'63, at Phila.; died 7 Mar.'65.
	James J Brown×		Enl. 27 Feb.'62, Brooklyn; disch. 27 Feb.'66.
	Charles Brinkman×		Enl. 7 Oct.'63, at Chicago; disch. 7 Oct. '67.
	James Brown×		Enl. 16 July,'63, at Cairo; in service at
	Sebastian Dana		
	Lehman B Fox×		Enl. 8 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. 8 Aug. '66.
	John Christian Gerst (Zerst)×		Enl. 17 Aug. '63, Chicago; deser. 6 Nov. '65.
Dexter. 4th District	Hamilton Williams	Marine Corps.	
	Henry A Schmidt ×		Enl. 8 Jan.'63, at Phila.; disch. 7 Aug. '68.
	James Mullen×		Enl. 27 Dec. '62, Phila.; disch. 10 Jan. '67.
	Henry Morris		
	George Stratton		
	Thomas Quinn×		Enl. 8 June,'63, at Phila.; disch. 21 Aug.'65.
	ErnestPlatzPratty×		Enl. 17 Feb.'62, at Phila.; disch. 17 Feb.'66.
	John W Mattock		

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Eddington. 4th District	George McConnell×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 12 Nov.'62, Brooklyn; disch. 14 Oct.'65.
	Stephen Moore×		Enl. 2 Oct. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 29 Mar.'65.
	Daniel Meahan×		Enl. 30 July, '63, N.Y; disch. 1 Aug. '67.
	Charles Matthews		
	John Norris×		Enl. 21 Apr. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 9 Oct. '64.
	James C Page		
	Ernest Buntschke		
Edgecomb. 3d District.	John (George) Carter	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Dec. 11, '63.
	Thomas Corbit		Apr. 3,'63. Enl. Apr. 3,'63; des. June,25,'63.
	W C Cushman		Feb. 26, —
	Benjamin Hiller		Jan. 16, '62.
	Jno W Hunt		Mar. 9,'63. Jno. W. enl. Mar. 7,'63, Boston.
	John McCabe		Jan. 27, '62.
Embden. 3 District.	William H Rice	Marine Corps.	
	Thos. N Buckley×		Enl. 23 June '54, at N. Y.; disch. 24 June '66
	Joseph Barbridge		
	Austin Grimes		
	Haley Riley		
	Rich'd McKenney×		Enl. 2 Jan.'62, at Brooklyn; disch. 5 June '69
	George Stanton		
	John Ayers×		Enl. 29 Jan. '62, at Phila; disch. 6 July '68.
	Jesse Bruckback		
	Patrick Murphy×		Enl. 14 Aug. '61, at Phila.; in service at
	Wm. Troughton		
	Chas. P Brown×		Enl. 12 Jan. 58, at Phila.; disch. 6 Jan. '66.
Fairfield. 3d District.	William E Alardt	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	Thomas Fulton×		Enl. 26 May '62, at Phila.; disch. 13 Feb. '63
	James L Ward		
	Joseph Stokle		
	Daniel Carr×		Enl. 27 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. 20 Sept.'66
	Stephen Dempsey×		Enl. 3 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn; disch. 3 Apr.'66
	Joseph Frantas		
	Andrew Caffrey		
Freeport, 1st District	John Farrington	Navy. Ship Ohio. Marine Corps or Navy.	
	Barnard Kelley		
	John Mullen		Enl. Mar. 10,'64, Bost., 1yr.; des. May 26,'64
	Nicholas Murphy		Enl. July 1'64, Bost., 3 yr.; dis. June 29, '67
	Patrick O'Conner		
	Robert S Steele		
	Peter F. Wilson		
	D B Fox		
	W Fish		
	C Garsidea, or Gardiner		
	S. M. Knight		
	Geo. A Knapp		
	F Lefect		
	John Laurence		Enl. Bos. Nov. 18 '65; failed to report on receiving ship after enlistment.
	A J Lapham		
	Elijah W Randall		
	J K Rodo		Enl. at Prov. Aug. 3,'64, 2 yrs.; disch. Aug. 5'66
Friendship 3d District.	James Andres	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	M S West		
	John J Smith		Enl. at Bos., Mar. 1,'64, 3 yrs.; disch. Feb. 28'67
	Geo. E Phinney		
	T Mellen		
	James McCarty		
	N Holburdon		
	E B Howard		

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Friendship CONTINUED	Edward Aiken	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Feb. 10, '64.
	Thomas Burnston		March 21, '64.
	John H Carlton		Enl. Dec. 21, '63, at Bos.; disch. Jan. 23, '64
	Thomas H Long		Enl. Apr. 1, '64, at Bos.; disch. Apr. 15, '65
	Richard N Morgan		March 23, '64.
	Wm. R Percival		March 21, '64.
	Harold A Ranpack		Jan. 6, '64.
	James W Smith		March 20, '63.
	John Williams		Enl. Jan. 5, '64, at Bos.; disch. Jan. 30, '65.
Greenwood 2d District.	John Evans	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio	Enl. at Bos. Jan. 22, '64; des. dur. 4 qr. '64.
	William E Jones.		Enl. at Bos. Jan. 22, '64; disch. Mar. 4, '65.
	John Williams		Find 32 John Williams during '64–5.
	Hugh Daily		Enl. Jan. 8, '64, at Bos., 1 yr.; disch. Aug. 17'65
	David Shine		
	John Turrell		Jno. Tirrell, enl. at Bos. Feb. 6, '64, 1 yr.; disch. Feb. 21, '65.
	Dominick Corbett		Enl. Bos. Feb. 12 '64, 3 yrs.; disch. Mar. 29'67
	John McLaughlin		Enl. at Bos. Jan. 31, '65, 3 yrs.; dis. Feb. 8, '68.
	James A Rose		
	E A Hill		Ed. A., enl. at Boston, Feb. 16, '64, for 2 yrs
Hallowell, 3d District.	John Ray	Marine Corps or Navy.	Enl. Prov. Aug. 26, '64, 1yr.; disch Aug. 2'65.
	Jos. M Terry		Enl. Kittery, Dec. 9, '64, 3 yrs.
	J Pond		
	Peter Daly		
	D. F. Barry		
Harmony. 3d District.	J A Wentworth	Navy or Marine Corps.	Jacob C. enl. at Portsmouth, N.H.; Aug. 16, 1864.
	John S Bond		
	Antoine Felix		
	James Norton		
	Leavitt Thaxter		Enl. Feb. 27, '64, at Boston, for 1 yr.; disch. Mar. 7, '65.
	James H Knox		Jas. H. enl. at Boston, May 18, '64, for 1 yr.; D. May 27, '65.
	Sam'l Dutch		
	Herod Dexter		
	W Eldridge		
	Jas Columbus		
Hartford. 2d District.	William Thompson	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Feb. 9, '62. Enl. Feb. 9, '62, at Boston.
	J W Tucker		Feb. 14, '62.
	William Connelly		Apr. 7, '62.
	Patrick McLane (McCann)		Feb. 7, '62.
	A McNichol (McMichol)		Dec. 20, '62.
	Dennis Sullivan		Apr. 13, '62. Enl. May 13, '62; disch. July 12, '62.
	Isaac Totten		March 2, '62.
	Charles Thornton		Feb. 6, '62.
	A Melvine	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	A Clenderine		
	G Purrity		
	John Keefe		
	J Battiste		
Lebanon. 1st District	C H Myers	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	N T McDonald		
	Thomas McKinley		
	E H Nash		
	A H Nichols		
	F Parker		
	M G Pray		
	John Pond		

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Lebanon, CONTINUED.	E Pies		
	J F Roach	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	John Raines		
	J A Silver		
	Julius Stone		Enl. at Boston, Aug. 8,'64, 3 yr.; disch. Sept. [17, 1864.
	Samuel G Tucker		
	Geo F Taylor		
	John Ward or Waid		There were 4 John Ward's enl. during 1864, [no Jno. Waid.
	S Wilbur		
	M Williams		
	D Callum		
	Timothy McDonald		
Leeds. 2d District.	John T Smith×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 15 Aug.'62, at Phila.; disch. 15 Aug.'66.
	Patrick O Brien×		Enl. 8 Aug.'62, Brooklyn; disch. 10 Sept.'64.
	John C Brown×		Enl. 14 Jan.'62, at Phila.; disch. 14 Jan.'66.
	Patrick Cummings×		Enl. 15 June,'63, Boston; disch. 15 June,'67.
	Thomas B Forgan		
Lewiston, 2d District.	John A Burke×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 15 Aug.,'62, Brooklyn; disch. 20 Oct. '65
	William Moore×		Enl. 9 Sept. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 14 Dec. '65
	Thomas Mehan×		Enl. 7 Aug. '62, Brooklyn; des. 21 Sept. '65.
	Michael Mulloy×		Enl. 23 Aug. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 5 Oct. '62.
	William Roach×		Enl. 3 Sept. '62, Brooklyn; des. 21 Oct. '65.
	James Brady×		Enl. 22 May, '62, Phila.; disch. 5 July, '66.
	James B Crowse		
	William Cowan		
	James C. Page×		Enl. 18 May, '63, Wash.; des. 12 July, '65.
	Robert Knox×		Enl. 30 Jan. '63, Phila.; disch, 10 Sept. '64.
	Philander M Moore		
	John Carroll×		Enl. 2 Aug. '62, Brooklyn, des. 18 Nov. '62.
	Might Curlow		
	John Graves		
	Benj. Henecy		
	Hiram Wayne		
	James Bradley×		Enl. 22 May '62, at Phila.; disch. 5 July '66.
	Lewis Vansschayer		
	Jac'b Hollenberger×		Enl. 11 Aug. '62, Phila.; disch. 17 Aug. '66.
	George W Wheeler×		Enl. 26 Oct. '63, at Phila.; disch. 26 Oct. 67.
	John Vickery×		Enl. 1 Sept. '62, Phila.; disch. 10 Sept. '64.
	Frederick Andrew		
	James Clark×		Enl. 12 Sept.'62, at Phila.; disch. 11 Sept.'64
	John Finnigan		
	Augustus Guathart		
Lisbon. 2d District.	Jos. McLaughlin+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 6 Jan. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 13 Jan. '66
	John B Morgan+		Enl. 11 Sept. '62, at Wash.; des. 22 Oct. '62.
	Perry Stantus		
	George W Harris+		Enl. 8 May '55, at Wash.; disch. 29 June '67
	William H Potts+		Enl. 13 Aug. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 7 Feb. '67
	Andrew Tibbett		
	Henry Foy		
	John A. Eichel+		Enl. 12 Feb. '63, Brooklyn; disch. 12 Feb.'67
	George W Neville+		Enl. 20 May '63, at Phila.; disch. 20 May '67
	Augustus Greene+		Enl. 24 Aug. '63, at Wash.; disch. 24 Aug.'67
Litchfield, 3d District.	William Douglass	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	John A Lucas		
	Virginious Moulton		
	Daniel Bell		
	Patrick Smith		
	J Quincy or Garney		
	Charles Kimmerell		
	Joseph McAllister+		Enl. 26 Aug. '62, Phila.; disch. 26 July '65.

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Litchfield, CONTINUED.	Joseph Canata		
	Henry Currell		
	Augustus Dixinson		
	Charles L Floury	Navy.	Enl. Bos., Feb. 15,'64,1yr.; dis. Mar. 12,'65.
	James Frazier	Receiv'g	
	Edward Gragore	Ship	
	Costellow D Mason	Ohio	
	John McCarty		Enl. at Boston, July 2, '64, 3 yrs.
	Osten D Sheldon		Enl. Bos.Jan.21,'65,2 yrs.;des.Aug.14,'65
	Alphonso Wilcox		Enl. Bos. Feb. 23,'64, 2 yrs.; disch.Apr.2,'66
Livermore. 2d District.	Edward Henry+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 21 May,'63, at Phila.; disch. 23 Feb.'68.
	William Lacy+		Enl. 1 Sept.'62, at Phila.; disch. 1 Sept.'66.
	O Weld Thatcher+		Enl. 24 Aug.'62, Phila.; disch. 24 Aug.'67.
	Barney Silverman+		Enl. 8 Oct.'63, at N.Y.; disch. 1 Feb.'65.
	William Buck		
	John L Likens+		Enl. 13 Aug.'62, Phila.; disch. 13 Aug.'66.
	John O'Toole+		Enl. 29 July,'63, Phila.; disch. 29 July,'67.
	Alfred Wade+		Enl. 24 Aug.'63, Phila.; deser. 13 Apr.'65.
	Colin Campbell+		Enl. 21 Oct.'63, Phila.; disch. 20 Jan.'68
	William Durgin		
Manchester 3d District.	J Benson	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	March 21,'62.
	J Bennett		March 26,'62. [July 2,'62.
	J Carey		Jan. 6,'62. Jas. Carey, Jan. 6,'62; deserted
	Hugh Dunford		Dec. 27,'62 Enl. Dec. 27, 1862
	M B Dailey		Sept. 24,'62.
	Peter Fallou		Feb. 10,'62.
	T J Lenard		Apr. 9,'62.
Mercer. 3d District.	William Anderson	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	Enl. at Portsm'h, Sept.15,'64; des. Oct.2,'64.
	Joel Brewer		
	James Bright		
	J Curran		Jerry Curran enl. Boston. Apr. 22,'64, 1 yr.;
	S F Claphlin		[disch. May 8,'65.
	John Dameron		
	Josiah Ellet		[July 23,'67.
	Edward Freeman		Enl. at Boston, July 21,'64, for 3 yrs.; disch.
	Octavius Gurney		Enl. at Portland, Me., Sept. 1,'64, 1 yr.
	Joseph H Hilton		
	Walter W Ingalls		
	Patrick McGowan		
Mexico. 2d District.	John Forward+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 28 Aug.'62, Brooklyn; disch.24 Sep.'66.
	Henry N Thompson		
	Henry Jefery+		Enl. 24 July,'63, Phila.; disch. 24 July,'67.
	Philip Wright+		Enl. 1 June,'63, Phila.; disch. 1 June,'67.
Mt. Vernon 3d District.	Patrick Williams+	Marine Corps or Navy.	Enl. 26 Jan.'63, Wash.; disch. 16 Sept.'67.
	James Gallagher+		Enl. 15 Oct.'63, Phila ; deser. 24 Dec.'65.
	Henry Brown+		Enl. 14 Mar.'63, Wash.; disch. 25 Aug.'64.
	Levins L Goldy		
	E L Barnes		
Newport. 4th District	Wm H Delancy	Marine Corps.	
	William Noble+		Enl. 21 Sept.'58, Phila.; disch. 22 Oct.'66.
	William Jordan+		Enl. 9 Sept.'62, Phila.; disch. 9 Sept.'66.
	Charles J Wall+		Enl. 11 Dec.'62, Phila.; disch. 29 Mar.'65.
	Jacob F Mentzer+		Enl. 15 Sept.'62, Phila.; disch. 28 Mar.'67.
	Lawrence Hickey+		Enl. 16 Jan.'63, Wash.; disch. 31 Mar.'67.
	Samuel McNeil+		Enl. 16 Feb.'63, Wash.; disch. 31 Mar.'67.
	David Jones+		Enl. 9 Oct.'63, at Phila.; deser. 1 Oct.'64.
	George Wise, Jr+		Enl. 3 Jan.'63, at Phila.; deser. 15 Dec.'64.

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Newport, CONTINUED	Robert Egman		
	Charles H Gillett+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 21 Oct. '62, Phila.; disch. 22 June, '65.
	John H Valiant		
	John A Peoples+		Enl. 11 Oct. '62, Phila.; disch. 31 Mar. '67.
	Isaac Irwins		
	Patrick Kenney+		Enl. 9 June, '63, at N.Y.; disch. 15 Jan. '66.
	Patrick J Brien		
	Michael Riley		
	Rienkardt Zimmerman		
	Samuel D Sharp+		Enl. 27 Aug. '62, Phila.; disch. 28 Aug. '66.
	William Fondel+		Enl. 28 Apr. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 12 Sept. '62
	William Woods+		Enl. 13 Feb. '58, Phila.; disch. 8 Mar. '66.
	James G Jones+		Enl. 9 June, '62, Brooklyn; disch. 9 June, '66.
Nobleboro' 3d District.	F Wilson	Marine Corps or Navy.	Find 5 F. Wilson's during 1864 and 1865.
	P B Whittemore		
	L N Blake		
	Thomas Hammond		
	A Hodges		
	Geo W Hathaway		
	John A Morgan		
	J McLellan		
	Wm E Peck		
	H A Lane		
Norridgw'k 3d District.	Francis Allen		
	John Aral		[Aug. 27'65.
	Robert M Blair		Enl. at Portland, June 18, '64, 2yrs.; disch.
	James Casey		Enl. at Boston, July 12, '64, 2 yrs.; deserted
	Dennis Desmond	Navy.	[Sept. 2, '65.
	Charles E Edwards	Receiv'g	
	Thomas Fogg	Ship	
	Patrick Gillen	Ohio.	
	Albert Haley		
	Daniel Heald		
	Henry Johnson		
	Andrew Yates		
	Joseph W. Maxcy	Mar. Cor. or Navy.	
	John Murphy+		Enl. 23 May, '63, at N. Y.; des. 19 June, '63
N. Berwick 1st District	A C Lewis	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	
	John Horne		
	Lewis A Horton.		
	G Gilmore or Gilman		
Palmyra, 3d District.	Wm. Townsend+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 29 Jan. '62, Phila.; disch. 29 Jan. '66.
	Sam'l Newsome+		Enl. 22 July, '62, Phila.; disch. 27 July '66.
	Wm. I Moore		
	Andrew J Fornlius		
	Charles Brother+		Enl. 13 Oct. '62, N.Y.; disch. 21 Oct. '65.
	Edmund Cole		
	John Graham+		Enl. 1 Oct. '63, at Phila.; des. 21 Jan. '65.
	David Williams+		Enl. 20 Apr. '63, Indianapolis. died 10 Oct. '63
	James L Beck		
	Henry Schaeffer		
	Martin Marion+		Enl. 13 July, '63, Phila.; disch. 16 Aug. '67
	Geo. W Bickford+		Enl. 25 Sept. '63, N. J.; disch. 25 Sept. '67.
	Dennis Goley+		Enl. 25 Sept. '63, N. J.; disch. 25 Sept. '67.
	Edwin Huggett		

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Parsonsfi'ld 1st District	James Mayhew	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio	
	Geo. W Stanley		
	Sylvester Robinson		
	Thomas Gray		
	John McCoffee		
	Charles Perkins		
	Bryan McDermott		
	Joseph Miller		
	Stephen Breenan		
	John Flowers		
Phillips, 2d District.	John Noonan (Nooner)+	Marine Corps.	Enl. 21 Sept. '63, Chi'go; disch. 21 Sept. '67.
	William O Brien+		Enl. 21 Mar. '62, Phila; des. 30 May, '65.
	Andrew C Dowd		
	Michael O Connor+		Enl. 30 July '62, Phila.; disch. 22 Aug. '66.
	John F Peterman+		Enl. 21 Sept. '63, Chi'go; disch. 21 Sept. '67.
	Bernard Smith+		Enl. 22 Aug. '63, Chi'go; disch. 22 Aug, '67.
	Thomas Stewart+		Enl. 26 July '62, Phila.; disch. 27 July, '66.
	William Walsh+		Enl. 30 Jan. '63, Phila.; disch. 30 Jan. '67.
	William Simmons+		Enl. 22 Aug. '63, Chi'go; disch. 22 Aug. '67.
	Bernard Schwegan		
	William D Mills		
	John R Franklin+		Enl. 22 June '63, at Phila.; des. 17 Nov. '64
Pittsfield 3d District.	J Andee	Marine Corps or Navy.	[disch. Apr. 24, '65
	J Burns		James, enl. at Boston, Apr. 18, '64, 1 yr.
			Jas. enl. Bos. July7, '64, 3 yrs.; R. Aug. 9'64
	John Bryan		Enl. at Bos. June 28, '66, for 3 yrs.
	W R Carey		
	W H Case		
	M O Dennett		
	George S Davis		
	J Evans		Jas. enl. Bos. Mar. 9'65, 3yrs.; des. Mar. 25'66
			Jas. jr. enl. Port. Aug. 30'64 1y; des May 18'65
			Jas. enl. Nov. 9, '64, Bos.; des. May 18, '65
	E Faithful		
	G Goldsmith		
	J S Hemar		
	Patrick Keene		
	J D Lefton (Sefton)		
Pittston, 3d District.	Wm L Hodsdon	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	
	Joseph W Cushman		
	Charles Turner		
	Charles Vanshdick		
	George Roman		
	J R Briggs		
	Anthony Farring.		
Porter, 2d District.	Tom. E McGrath	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	
	S H Manderville		
	W Williams		Wm. enl. Sept. 7'64, Port. 3yrs.; disch. Feb. 5'68
	A Silva		Amanuel en. Sep12'64 Ports. 3yr; des. Jun20'65
	W Duggan		Enl. at Bos. Aug. 9, '65, 3yrs.; disch. Aug. 11, '68
	D H Brown		
	H D Martin		
	W Galliger		
	J Nelson		Find 5 J. Nelsons during '64-5.
	Stephen Wentworth		Enl. Port. May26, '64, 1 yr.; disch. May27, '65
	William Wilson		Find 4 Wm. Wilsons during '64-5.
	Ed. Cockson		
	W Hart		
	H A Newcomb		

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Richmond. 2d District.	PeterF Bings(Burges	Navy.	March 10, '62.
	Malcol m Leach	Receiv'g Ship	
	Benj. D Morgan		Feb. 27, '62.
	John S Scott	Ohio.	Feb. 10, '64.
Rumford. 2d District	James Sharry ⋈	Marine Corps.	Enl. 3 Jan. '62, Phil.; disch. 1 May, '65.
	Patrick Coughlin		
	Edward Carvin ⋈		Enl. 6 July, '63, Phila.; deser. 4 Sept. '65.
	Frank Howard ⋈		Enl. 30 Jan. '62, Boston; disch. 4 June, '62.
	James M Pierce		
	Samuel W Brewer ⋈		Enl. 11 July, '63, Phila.; deser. 20 Jan. '66.
	Wm W Warren ⋈		Enl. 5 Oct. '63, at Wash.; disch. 4 Mar. '70.
	John S Gross ⋈		Enl. 26 Aug. '62, Wash.; deser. 16 Feb. '63.
Salem. 2d District.	Thomas Clifford ⋈	Marine Corps.	Enl. 15 Oct. '58, at Boston; disch. 28 Mar. '68.
	Augustus R Case ⋈		Enl. 29 Aug. '62, Brooklyn; disch. 9 Sept. '66.
	David Connell ⋈		Enl. 2 Sept. '63, Portsm'h; in serv. at Hd. Qu.
	Joseph A Clark ⋈		Enl. 11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; disch. 22 Aug. '66.
Sidney. 3d District.	Patrick Harkins	Navy.	
	James Jenkins		[disch. Sept. 7, '67.
	John D Andrews		Jno. Andrews enl. Port., Sept. 21, '64, 3 yrs.;
	Tisdale Atwood		
	Joseph Andrews		Enl. Kittery, Feb. 8, '65, 3yr.; des. Nov. 12, '65
	Patrick Dougherty		Doherty enl. Aug. 13, '64, Portsmouth, 3 yrs.;
	Peter Gallighan		[deser. Mar. 22, '66.
	Aaron Gwine		Enl. Bos., Nov. 1, '65, 3yr.; disch. Feb. 19, '69
	John Keefe		Enl. Bost., Nov. 11, '65, 3 yrs.
	William H Lowd		Enl. Bost, June 7, '65, 1 yr.
	James McKay		Enl. Bos., Dec. 29, '65, 3yrs.; deser. Dec. 9, '66
	John McKane		
	John H Ward		
	John Kelley		Find 18 John Kelleys during 1864 and 1865.
	Patrick Milan	Marine Corps.	
	James Smith ⋈		Enl. 20 May, '62, at Phila.; disch. 22 May, '66
	Charles E Simmons ⋈		Enl. 3 Oct. '63, Washington; disch. 3 Oct. '67.
	Robert Bennett ⋈		Enl. 14 Sept. '63, Chicago; disch. 29 Sept. '66.
	William Campbe		
	Daniel McDonald		
	Edward Stopher ⋈		Enl. 24 June, '63, at N.Y.; disch. 24 June, '67
	Albert A Minster ⋈		Enl. 7 Aug. '62, Phila.; disch. 11 Sept. '64.
	Alphonso Boisramen ⋈		Enl. 3 Sept. '63, Chicago; disch. 3 Sept. '67.
	Denny Mason		
Southport. 3d District.	J T Horton	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	D Hall		
	George P Foy		
	J J Giles		
	D Hamlin		
	A H Hicks		
Starks. 3d District.	Charles Brannaun	Ship Ohio. Navy or Marine Corps.	
	William Barrett		
	Daniel Cranium		
	George H Collins		
	Francis R Desiley		
	Michael Dorrahn		
	Patrick Geary		
	John McMaster		
	Patrick Redan		
	Patrick Sullivan		Enl. Bos. May 10, '64, 1yr.; disc. 1st qr. '65
			Enl. Bos. July 25, '64, 3yrs.; disc. Sep. 27 '67

Names of Men or Credits upon Quotas of Towns—Continued.

Name of town.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Starks, CONTINUED	Manuel Santas	Ship Ohio.	
	Edward Wade		
	Edwin L West	Navy or Mar.Cor.	
	G E Welden		
Stow, 2d District.	Nath'l W Silloway		Enl. at Bos. Feb. 10, '64; died May 21, '64.
	Varney Kenney	Navy.	
	J Hill	Receiv'g	Enl. Bos. Jan. 25, '64, 1yr.; disch. Jan. 24, '65
		Ship	Enl. N. Bed. June 26, '64, 3yr; des. Dec. 7, '65
	J F Salvador	Ohio.	
	M Sullivan		
	L Thaxter	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	J Blackwell		
	F Daly		
Strong, 2d District.	John Sifert ⋈	Marine Corps.	Enl. 18 Feb. '62, Brooklyn; dis. 14 Mar. '66.
	Henry Duffy ⋈		Enl. 8 Apr. '62, Hd. Quar.; des. 17 Oct. '65.
	Abijah D Ball ⋈		Enl. 26 May '62, Phila.; disch. 11 July '65.
	Jas. W Campbell ⋈		Enl. 21 Apr. '62, Phila. disch. 21 Apr. '66.
	Henry Denehowe		
	John Hailey		
	George Jess ⋈		Enl. 5 Apr. 62, Phila.; disch. 5 Apr. '66.
Temple. 2d District.	Charles Anderson	Ship Ohio.	Enl. Bost., Feb. 3, '65, 3 yr.; disch. Aug. 18, '65
	Thomas Brown		Find 7 Thomas Browns during 1864 and '65.
	Charles Brown	Navy or Marine Corps.	Find 5 Chas. Browns during 1864 and 1865.
	Charles Lewis		
	George Moore		Enl. Portsmouth, Sept. 9, '64, for 3 yrs.
	George F Oliver		
	William Smith		Find 16 Wm. Smiths during 1864 and 1865.
	John Stanley		
	John Williams	Navy.	Find 32 Jno. Williams during 1864 and 1865
	George Young		
	J O Brown	Mar.Cor. or Navy.	
	Daniel Capron		
Thomaston 3d District.	W H Bishop	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	Wm C Clements		
	Joseph Conant		
	L F Dodge		
	H Dexter		
	J Eddy		
	G L Fisher		Enl. Bost., Mar. 17, '64, transf. from army to navy; disch. not reported.
	P Galvin		
	W Howard		Find 4 W. Howards during 1864 and 1865.
	T Keenan		Thos. enl. Bost. Dec. 5, '65, 3yr; did not rep't after enlist.
	E T Craine		
	R Dunham		Thos. enl. Bost., Dec. 23, '68, 3 yrs.
	Charles McCarthy		
Union. 3d District.	John A Lewis	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	Wilder McMitchell		
	Philip Manning		Enl. at Portsmouth, Feb. 14, '64, for 1 year.
	E L Noyes		
	W Sexton		
	T Sullivan		Find 9 T Sullivans during '64-5.
	J Cass		
	T Caldwell		

Names of Men or Credits upon Quotas of Towns—Continued.

Name of town.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Union, CONTINUED	Dennis Driscoll	Marine Corps or Navy.	Enl. Bost., Jan. 6,'64,1yr.; disch.Jan.30,'65.
	John Desmond		Enl. Aug. 10,'64, Portland, 1 yr.; disch. [Aug. 2,'65.
	A Frazier		Enl.June 22,'65,Bost.,3yr.; dis.June20,'68
	Albert N Greene		Albert enl. at Kittery, Feb. 23,'65, 3 yrs.; [desert. Dec. 7,'66.
	C T Harkins		
	I Irvine		
Vassalboro' 3d District.	Argus Peters	Marine Corps or Navy.	
	John Ford×		Enl. 12 Sept.'62, at Phila.; deser. 17 Dec.'65.
	John Tyler×		Enl. 11 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch. 11 Dec.'66.
	James Alexander×		Enl. 16 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch. 9 Jan.'67.
	Jacob Beck×		Enl. 25 Nov.'62, at Phila.; disch. 27 Nov.'65.
	Joseph Eckert×		Enl. 5 Nov.'62, at Phila.; desert. 15 May,'66.
	Erastus Tilley×		Enl. 25 July,'62,at Phila.; disch. 17 Aug.'62.
	Charles Williams×		Enl. 7 Oct.'62, at Phila.; disch. 1 May,'65.
	Andrew Coffee		
	John Brown×		Enl. 13 Aug.'62, at Phila.; deser. 20 Mar.'63.
	Patrick Barry×		Enl. 6 Aug.'62, at Brooklyn; died 9 Oct.'65.
	Richard S Dolly		Enl. at Boston, May 17,'64, transfer. from [army; deser. June 25,'64.
	William Kelley		Enl. at Boston, Mar. 2,'64, for 2 yrs.
	Charles A Stevens		Enl. at Bost., Apr. 2,'64, transf. from army
	Miles M Oriatt× (Orcutt)		Enl. 19 Aug.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 19 Aug.'66.
	William M Smith		Enl. Sept.13,'64, at Boston, for 3 yrs.; disch. [June 30,'65.
	George N Auger		
	Geo W Brandfield		
	Jere C Gregg		
	Theodore R Harris×		Enl. 23 Aug.'62, at N.Y.; disch. 24 July,'65.
	Absl'm N Ingersoll×		Enl. 4 Apr.'64, at Brooklyn; disch. 4 Apr.'66.
	William J Johnson		[Sept.'66.
	Joseph L Peaslee×		Enl. 24 Sept.'62, at Baltimore; disch. 24
	Alexander Grant×		Enl. 25 Aug.'63, at Wash.; disch. 24 Aug.'67
	James McClure×		Enl. 5 Aug.'62, at Phila.; disch. 5 Aug.'66.
	James Brown×		Enl. 18 Dec.'62, at Cinn.; disch. 18 Dec.'66.
	Preston Cannard		
	William Gibbons		
	Ashley Hendrick×		Enl. 15 Oct.'63, at Phila.; disch. 15 Oct.'67.
	John Kremer		[12,'65.
	Albert Bigelow	Ship Ohio. Navy.	Enl. Boston, Aug. 17,'64, 3 yr.; deser. Oct.
	Thomas Hayes		Enl. Portsmouth, Sep. 30,'64, 3 yrs.
	John E Williams		Enl. June 25,'64, at Boston, 3 yrs.; disch. [Dec. 6,'64.
	Joseph King		Enl. July 14,'64, Portsmouth, 3yrs.; disch. [Sept. 11,'67.
	Thomas Irving		Enl. Sept. 1,'64, Boston, for 3 yrs.
Waldoboro' 3d District.	William Parker×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 27 July,'63, Phila.; deser. 12 July,'64.
	William H Batts×		Enl. 23 Nov.'63, at Phila.; disch. 20 Oct.'64.
	Edward Prince		
	Walter Sniffins×		Enl. 29 Aug.'63, Gosport; disch. 29 Aug.'67.
	Patrick Lynch×		Enl. 28 Aug.'63, at Phila.; disch. 1 May,'64.
	Alex Logan×		Enl. 1 Dec.'63, at Phila.; deserted 7 Jan.'65.
	John Sutton×		Enl. 22 Sept.'63, Norfolk; disch. 22 Sept.'67.
	Franklin Evans×		Enl.23 Mar.'63, Hd.Qu; in service at Hd.Qu. [Portsmouth, N. H.
	Charles J Grimes		
	Calvin Munger×		Enl. 29 Oct.'63, at Brooklyn; in service at
	James Benney×		Enl. 26 Oct.'63, at Phila.; disch. 26 Oct.'67.

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Name of town.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Waldoboro' CONTINUED	Chas B Blanderbilla		
	Jerry Brett✕		Enl. 9 Oct. '61, at Hd. Qu.; disch. 9 Oct. '65.
	Charles Fisher✕		Enl. 4 Dec. '61, at N. Y.; disch. 4 Dec. '65.
	Wm H Oakes✕		Enl. 29 Nov. '61, at Phila.; now on board U. [S. S. Congress.
	Henry Busher✕	Marine	Enl. 19 Mar. '62, at Phila.; disch. 24 Oct. '64.
	David Boyd✕	Corps.	Enl. 6 Nov. '61, at Phila.; disch. 30 Nov. '65.
	G W Henois		
	John Hoban✕		Enl. 10 Apr. '62, at Phila.; disch. 12 Apr. '66.
	James Bradley✕		Enl. 22 May, '62, at Phila.; disch. 22 May, '66
Wales. 2d District.	Joseph Griffin	Navy.	March 30, '62.
	Thomas W Long	Receiv'g	March 31, '64.
	James McGee	Ship	April 4, '62.
		Ohio.	
	Michael Burgin		
	William Houghlin		
	Hewe McGuire		
	Peter Clark✕	Marine	Enl. 24 Mar. '62, Phila.; disch. 19 May, '65.
	Michael Coughlin✕	Corps.	Enl. 18 Dec. '62, at Phila.; disch. 18 Dec. '66.
	William Kelley✕		Enl. 1 May, '63, Wash.; deser. 16 June, '67.
	William Deven		['66.
	Alexander Coulter✕		Enl. 30 Sept. '62, at Phila.; disch. 30 Sept.
Warren. 3d District.	Isaac Wood✕		Enl. 12 Sept. '62, Boston; disch. 12 Sept. '66.
	Henry C Winger✕		Enl. 2 Oct. '62, at Phila.; disch. 2 Oct. '66.
	Daniel Connors✕		Enl. 27 July, '63, at Phila.; disch. 10 Aug. '67.
	James Cavanaugh✕		Enl. 3 May, '62, Brooklyn; disch. 3 May, '66.
	James B Fowler		
	John Fitzgerald✕		Enl. 16 Sept. '63, Brooklyn; disch. 16 Sept. '67.
	John McCabe✕	Marine	Enl. 28 Oct. '62, at Phila.; disch. 18 Dec. '66.
	James Shaw✕	Corps or	Enl. 27 May, '62, Brooklyn; disch. 27 May, '66
	Geo W Wheeler✕	Navy.	Enl. 26 Oct. '63, at Phila.; disch. 26 Oct. '67.
	James H Stevens✕		Enl. 18 Aug. '62, at N. Y.; disch. 24 Mar. '68.
	Walter C Clove		[Portsmouth.
	James Medcalf✕		Enl. 2 Jan. '62, Brooklyn; now in service at
	Rich'd Fairclaugh✕		Enl. 14 Jan. '62, Washington; disch. 8 Feb. '70
	Charles Gilligan✕		Enl. 5 Jan. '63, at Brooklyn; disch. 1 May, '66.
	Charles J O Hagan✕		Enl. 18 Aug. '63, at N. Y.; disch. 17 Aug. '67.
Waterville. 3d District.	L F Dodge		
	O Dean		
	F Meads		
	A A Matherson		
	Henry Putman	Marine	
	J S Blow (or Plow)	Corps.	
	John M Rowe		
	Samuel B Randall		
	J A Rounds		
	S Smith		
	Thomas Abram		
	J Veazie		
	John B Boyle		
	John Busline		
	D W Jackson	Navy or	Daniel enl. Dec. 31, '64, Boston, for 3 yrs.
	D O'Brien	Marine	Dennis enl. Jan. 28, '64, at Boston, 1 yr.; [disch. Feb. 21, '65.
	A Rogers	Corps.	
	Francis A Cobb		
	James McGraw		Feb. 5, '68.
	James Green		Enl. at Boston, Aug. 16, '64, for 3 yr.; disch.

Names of Men or Credits upon Quotas of Towns—Continued.

Name of towns.	Names of men.	Branch of service.	Data furnished by Navy Department.
Webster. 2d District.	Thomas P Fagan×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 13 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch. 13 Dec.'66.
	John Keely		
	John C Brown×		Enl. 14 Jan.'62, at Phila.; disch. 14 Jan.'66.
	Patrick Swann×		Enl. 1 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch. 30 Mar.'67.
	J H Howe	Navy or Marine Corps.	
	William Poor		
	Dennis Smith		
Westport. 3d District.	George C Arnold	Navy.	
	Wm H Manuel		
	John Lee		Enl. Jan. 18,'64, Bost., 1yr.; dis. Aug. 18,'65 Enl. Nov 3,'64, Kittery, 3yr; died Dec. 28,'64 Enl. Nov. 3,'64, Kittery, 3 yrs.
	John Murphy		Find 11 Jno. Murphys during 1864–'65.
	Frank (Mark) Jones		
	George W Sawtelle		
Wiscasset. 3d District.	William Hannigan	Navy. Ship Ohio.	Feb. 24, '64. [at Portsmouth.
	John McCarthy		Feb. 29, '64. Jno. McCarty enl. Feb. 29,'64
	Philip Manning		Feb. 4, '64. Enl. Feb. 4,'64, at Portsmouth.
	James H Knox		Jan. 20,'64. Enl. Jan. 20,'64, at Portsmouth
	James Sprowl		Feb. 23,'64. Enl. Feb. 23,'64, at Portsmouth
	Davis Smith		Jan. 7,'64. David enl. Portsmouth, Jan. 7,'64
	John J Smith		Mar. 1,'64. Enl. Mar. 1,'64, at Portsmouth; [disch. Feb. 28,'67.
	S B Norton	Navy. Receiv'g Ship Ohio.	March 2, '64.
	W Powers		Feb. 18, '62. Enl. Feb. 8, '62, at Boston.
	Charles Williams		April 29, '62.
	W Pike		Dec. 8,'62. Enl. Dec. 8,'62, at Boston, disch. [Dec. 20, '63.
	Frank (Mark) Salvador		Jan. 27,'62.
	R W Thompson		Dec. 27,'62. Enl. at Boston, Dec. 27,'62.
	S N Bridgham		April 7, '62.
	Michael Connelly		Jan. 19, '62.
	George Lawson		Dec. 31,'62. Enl. at Boston, Dec. 31,'62;
	John Reed		Feb. 13,'62. [disch. Sept. 25,'63.
	Thomas J Smith		April 23,'62.
	R B Harlow		May 14, '62.
	Charles White		March 7, '62.
	C F Greene		March 22, '62.
	John Thomas		March 6, '62.
	C Thompson		May 7, '62.
Winslow. 3d District.	John B Stanton×	Marine Corps.	Enl. 13 Jan.'63, at N.Y.; disch. 29 Apr.'67.
	John Mahoney×		Enl. 9 Oct. '61, at Boston; disch. 11 Oct.'65.
	William Ring×		Enl. 14 July, '63, at N. York; in service at [Brooklyn, N. Y.
	John I Curtis		
	John Cassidy×		Enl. 26 May,'62, Brooklyn; disch. 29 May,'66
	Timothy Kelley×		Enl. 13 Aug.'63, Brooklyn; disch. 13 Aug.'67
	Charles Leaman×		Enl. 5 Dec.'62, at Phila.; disch. 16 Dec.'65.
	James M Roche×		Enl. 18 July,'63, at N. Y.; disch. 20 July,'67
	John Sheehan		
	Patrick McCabe		
	Charles Forad×		Enl 21 Dec.'61, at Phila.; disch. 29 Mar.'65
	Michael Kenndy×		Enl. 8 May,'62, Brooklyn; disch. 8 May,'66.

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SCHEDULE D.

[*See Communications of Major Nicholson and Holmes E. Offley, page* 420.]

The information contained in the following Schedule is based upon certificates from the records of the A. A. P. M. G. and Provost Marshals of the State of Maine.

NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
Michael M Mulhan*	Mar. Corps.	Alna, 3d Dist.	
John Maxwell	do	do do	14 Aug. '62, at Philadelphia.
Patrick Kearney	do	do do	
Richard Missett	do	do do	8 Aug. '62, at Washington; alien.
Robert McKenney	do	do do	13 Jan. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Michael McLuad	do	do do	
William Weason	do	Andover, 2d Dist.	
John Terry	do	do do	27 June, '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
Christopher Lutz	do	do do	15 May, '62, at Washington; alien.
John Lynch	do	do do	22 July, '63, at Washington; alien.
William Barry	do	do do	22 Apr. '62, at Phila.
John Kelley	do	Anson, 3d Dist.	7 Jan. '63, at Phila.
Alfred A Thatcher	do	do do	25 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Edwin G Hoyt	do	do do	18 Aug. '62, at New York; alien.
Patrick Train	do	do do	
Andrew W Anderson	do	do do	4 Aug. '63, at New York; alien.
George W Brown	do	do do	23 Feb. '63, at Phila.
George K Bartel	do	Athens, 3d Dist.	
William Williams or (Nellus)	do	do do	15 April, '64, at New York.
Henry R Kepp	do	do do	
William H Adams	do	do do	11 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn, N. Y.
Thomas McHam	do	do do	
Thomas V Darling*	do	do do	1 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn.
Charles Myhar	do	Athens, 3d Dist	
James Alexander	do	do do	16 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
John D. Hillsman	do	Auburn, 2d Dist.	
Richard Hurd	do	do do	
Richard Hogg	do	do do	12 Dec. '62, at Cincinnati.
Thomas Kelley	do	do do	24 Aug. '61, at Philadelphia.
Brieman Keens	do	do do	
John Lyons	do	do do	12 April '65, at Phila.; alien.
James C Kelley	do	Bethel, 2d Dist.	10 June, '62, at Philadelphia.
Michael Boyle	do	do do	16 July '62, at Washington; alien.
John Swallow	do	do do	12 June, '62, at Philadelphia.
Alex McPherson	do	do do	5 March, '62, at Phila.; alien.
Michael Milady	do	do do	
John Shea	do	do do	25 March, '62, at Philadelphia.
James Dodderville	do	do do	
James Dougherty	do	do do	
Claudius A. Bailey	do	do do	3 May, '62, at Brooklyn.
Thomas Stevenson	do	do do	7 April, '62, at Philadelphia.
George Warwick	do	do do	24 Feb. '62, at Philadelphia.
Marshal Given	do	do do	8 Jan. '62, at Philadelphia.

* See same names, Mulhan to Darling inclusive, page 418.—S. W. LANE, Sec. of Senate.

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NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
Henry McNally	Mar. Corps.	Bethel, 2d Dist.	29 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
Bernard McGee	do	do do	23 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
Robert Dougherty	do	Boothbay, 3d Dist.	25 Nov. '62, at New York; alien.
Enoch Jones	do	do do	13 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.
Henry Little	do	do do	14 July, '62, at Philadelphia.
John Mayberry	do	do do	4 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn.
Edward Walters	do	do do	2 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
John Maher	do	Bowdoinh'm, 2d Dist.	20 July, '63, at Phila.; alien.
Dennis Sullivan	do	do do	26 Dec. at New York; alien.
Rufus E. Wilcox	do	do do	10 Dec. '62, at New York.
Francis Hamil	do	do do	
Christopher Mullady	do	do do	3 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn.
Robert M. Taylor	do	do do	
John Droper	do	do do	
James Munday	do	do do	26 Nov. '62, at Phila.
Henry Wilhelmi	do	Corinna 4th Dist.	29 June, '63, at New York; alien.
Thomas O. Shea	do	do do	14 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Newton H. Scarlett	do	do do	2 Dec. '62, at St. Louis.
Peter Borman	do	do do	4 Aug. '63, at Chicago; alien.
John S. Brandt	do	do do	
James A. Caldwell	do	do do	21 Apr. '62, at Washington.
Joseph Dunbar	do	do do	17 Aug. '63, at Chicago; alien.
Augustus Fornhof	do	do do	26 Aug. '63, at Chicago.
Carl Wagner [ker	do	do do	29 Sept. '63, at Phila.; alien.
B. Franklin Shoema-	do	do do	31 Oct. '63, at Phila.
James J. Brown	do	do do	27 Feb. '62, at Brooklyn.
Charles Brinkman	do	do do	
James Brown	do	do do	18 Dec. '62, at Cincinnati.
Sebastian Dana	do	do do	7 Oct. '63, at Chicago.
Lehm'n B. Fox [Zerst	do	do do	8 Aug. '62, at Phila.
Jno. Christ'n Gerst or	do	do do	7 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Hamilton Williams	do	Dexter, 4th Dist.	
Henry N. Schmidt	do	do do	8 Jan. '63, at Phila.
James Mullen	do	do do	
Henry Morris	do	do do	
George Stratton	do	do do	
Thomas Quinn	do	Dexter, 4th Dist.	8 June, '63, at Philadelphia; alien.
Ernest Platz or (Pratty)	do	do do	17 Feb. '62, at Phila.; alien.
J W Mattock	do	do do	
George McConnell	do	Eddington, 4th Dist.	12 Nov. '62, at Phila.
Stephen Moore	do	do do	2 Oct. '62, at Brooklyn.
Daniel Meahan	do	do do	30 July, '63, at New York; alien.
Charles Matthews	do	do do	
John Norris	do	do do	21 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
James C Page	do	do do	18 May, '63, at Washington.
Ernest Buntschke	do	do do	
William H Rice	do	Embden, 3d Dist.	
Thomas N Buckley	do	do do	24 June, '62, at Washington.
Joseph Barbridge	do	do do	23 May, '63, at Phila.
Austin Guines or (Grimes)	do	do do	8 Jan. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Haley Riley	do	do do	
Richard McKenney	do	do do	2 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
George Stanton	do	do do	
John Ayers	do	do do	29 Jan. '62, at Phila.
Jesse Brunkback	do	do do	
Patrick Murphy	do	do do	14 Aug. '61, at Phila.; alien.
William Troughton	do	do do	
Charles P Brown	do	do do	6 Feb. '62, at Phila.
William E Alardt	do	Fairfield, 3d Dist.	
Thomas Fulton	do	do do	

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NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
James L Ward	Mar. Corps.	Fairfield, 3d Dist.	28 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Joseph Stokle	do	do do	
Daniel Carr	do	do do	18 Sept. '61, at Boston.
Stephen Dempsey	do	do do	3 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn.
Joseph Frantas	do	do do	
Andrew Caffrey	do	do do	
John T Smith	do	Leeds, 2d Dist.	15 Aug. '62, Philadelphia.
Patrick O'Brien	do	do do	8 Aug. '62, Brooklyn.
John C Brown	do	do do	14 Jan. '62, at Philadelphia.
Patrick Cummings	do	do do	16 Sept. '61, at Akoon, Ohio; alien.
Thomas B Forgan	do	do do	
John A Burke	do	Lewiston, 2d Dist.	15 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn.
William Moore	do	do do	9 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn.
Thomas Mehan	do	do do	
Michael Mulloy	do	do do	20 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn.
William Roach	do	do do	3 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn.
James Brady	do	do do	22 May '62, at Philadelphia.
James B Crawsee	do	do do	
William Cowan	do	do do	26 Oct. '63, at Wash.; alien.
James C Page	do	do do	18 May '63, at Washington.
Robert Knox	do	do do	30 Jan. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Philander M More	do	do do	
John Carroll	do	do do	30 Sept. '62, at Philadelphia.
Might Curlow	do	do do	
John Graves	do	do do	22 July, '62, at Philadelphia.
Benjamin Henecy	do	do do	
Hiram Wayne	do	do do	
James Bradley	do	do do	22 May, '62, at Philadelphia.
Lewis Vansschayer	do	do do	26 April, '62, at Philadelphia.
Jacob Hollenberger	do	do do	11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.
Geo W Wheeler	do	do do	26 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
John Vickery	do	do do	1 Sept. '62, at Philadelphia.
Frederick Andrew	do	do do	
James Clark	do	do do	12 Sept. '62, at Phila.; alien.
John Finnigan	do	do do	18 Nov. '62, at Phila.
August Guathart	do	do do	
Joseph McLaughlin	do	Lisbon, 2d Dist.	6 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
John B Morgan	do	do do	11 Sept. '62, at Washington.
Perry Stantus	do	do do	
George W Harris	do	do do	
William H Potts	do	do do	13 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn.
Andrew Tebbett	do	do do	
Henry Foy	do	do do	
John A Eichel	do	do do	12 Feb. '63, at Phila.
George W Neville	do	do do	20 May, '63, at Phila.
Augustus Greene	do	do do	24 Aug. '63, at Washington.
Chas Kimmerell	do	Litchfield, 3d Dist.	
Joseph McAllister	do	do do	26 Aug. 62, at Phila.
Edward Henry	do	Livermore, 2d Dist.	21 May, '63, at Phila.
William Lacy	do	do do	1 Sept. '62, at Phila.
O Weld Thatcher	do	do do	24 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Barney Silverman	do	do do	8 Oct. '63, at New York.
William Burk	do	do do	11 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.
John L Likens	do	do do	13 Aug. '62, at Phila.
John O Poole	do	do do	
Alfred Wade	do	do do	24 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Colin Campbell	do	do do	21 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
William Durgin	do	do do	
John Forward	do	Mexico, 2d Dist.	28 Aug. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
Henry N Thompson	do	do do	21 July, 63, at Phila.; alien.
Henry Jefery	do	do do	24 July, '63, at Phila.; alien.
Philip Wright	do	do do	1 June, '63, at Phila.

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NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
Patrick Williams	Mar. Corps.	Mt. Vernon, 3d Dist.	26 Jan. '63, at Washington; alien.
James Gallagher	do	do do	15 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Henry Brown	do	do do	16 Apr. '63, at Portsmouth; alien.
Levins L Goldy	do	do do	27 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Wm H Delancy	do	Newport, 4th Dist.	15 Oct. '63, at Phila.
William Noble	do	do do	22 Oct. '62, at Phila.; alien.
William Jordan	do	do do	9 Sept. '62, at Phila.
Charles J Wall	do	do do	11 Dec. '62, at Phila.
Jacob F Menster	do	do do	
Lawrence Hickey	do	do do	16 Jan. '63, at Washington; alien.
Samuel McNeil	do	do do	16 Feb. '63, at Washington; alien.
David Jones	do	do do	9 Oct. '63, at Phila.
George Wise	do	do do	3 Jan. '63, at Phila.
Robert Egman	do	do do	
Charles H Gillett	do	do do	21 Oct. '62, at Phila.
John H Valiant	do	do do	
John A Peoples	do	do do	11 Oct. '62, at Phila.
Isaac Irwins	do	do do	
Patrick Kenney	do	do do	
Patrick J Brien	do	do do	
Michael Riley [man	do	do do	7 Feb. '62, at New York; alien.
Reinkardt Zimmer-	do	do do	18 Apr. '62, at Washington.
William Fondel	do	do do	28 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn.
James G Jones	do	do do	9 June, '62, at Brooklyn.
Samuel D Sharp	do	do do	27 Aug. '62, at Philadelphia.
William Woods	do	do do	
William Townsend	do	Palmyra, 3d Dist.	27 Jan. '62, Philadelphia.
Samuel Newsome	do	do do	22 July, '62, at Phila.; alien.
William I Moore	do	do do	10 Aug. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Andrew J Fornlius	do	do do	
Charles Brother	do	do do	13 Oct. '62, at New York.
Edmund Cole	do	do do	
John Graham	do	do do	1 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
David Williams	do	do do	20 April '63, Indianapolis.
James L Beck	do	do do	
Henry Schaeffer	do	do do	
Martin Marion	do	do do	13 July '63, at Philadelphia.
Geo W Bickford	do	do do	25 Sept. '63, at New York.
Dennis Foley	do	do do	25 Sept. '63, at New York; alien.
Edwin Haggett [nan	do	do do	
J Newman, or New-	do	Phillips, 2d Dist.	
William O'Brien	do	do do	21 March '62, at Phila.;
Andrew C Dowd	do	do do	
Michael O'Conner	do	do do	30 July, '62, at Phila;
John F Peterman	do	do do	21 Sept. '63, at Chicago.
Bernard Smith	do	do do	
Thomas Stewart	do	do do	26 Jan. '62, at Phila ; alien.
William Walsh	do	do do	30 Jan. '62, at Philadelphia.
William Simmons	do	do do	18 Sept. '61, at Philadelphia.
Bernard Schwegan	do	do do	
William D Mills	do	do do	
John R Franklin	do	do do	22 June '63, at Philadelphia.
James Sharry	do	Rumford, 2d Dist.	3 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn.
Patrick Coughlin	do	do do	17 Feb. '62, at Brooklyn.
William W Warren	do	do do	5 Oct. '63, at Philadelphia.
Edwin Carvin	do	do do	6 Jan. '63, at Phila.; alien.
John S Gross	do	do do	4 Sept. '63, at Phila.
Frank Howard	do	do do	30 Jan. '62, at Boston.
James M Pierce	do	do do	
S W Brewer	do	do do	11 July, '63, at Phila.
Thomas Clifford	do	Salem, 2d Dist.	28 Jan. '63, at Portsmouth; alien.
Augustus R Chase	do	do do	

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NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
Daniel Connell	Mar. Corps.	Salem, 2d Dist.	2 Sept. '63, at Portsmouth, N. H.
Joseph A Clark	do	do do	11 Aug. '63, at Phila.
Patrick Milan	do	Sidney, 3d Dist.	
James Smith	do	do do	20 May, '62, at Phila.
Charles E Simmons	do	do do	7 Oct. '63, at Washington.
Robert Bennett	do	do do	
William Campbe	do	do do	
Daniel McDonald	do	do do	
Edward Stopher	do	do do	24 June, '63, at New York; alien.
Albert A Minster	do	do do	7 Aug. '62, at Phila.
Alphonso Boisramen	do	do do	3 Sept. '63, at Chicago.
Denney Mason	do	do do	
John Sifert	do	Strong, 2d Dist.	8 Feb. '62, at Phila.
Henry Duffy	do	do do	8 Apr. '62, at Washington.
Abijah D Ball	do	do do	26 May, '62, at Phila.
James W Campbell	do	do do	21 Apr. '62, at Phila.
Henry Denehowe	do	do do	
John Haley	do	do do	7 Aug. '62, at Boston.
George Jess	do	do do	5 Apr. '62, at Phila.
Argus Peters	do	Vassalboro', 3d Dist.	
John Ford	do	do do	12 Sept. '62, at Phila.; alien.
John Tyler	do	do do	11 Dec. '62, at Phila.
James Alexander	do	do do	16 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
Jacob Beck	do	do do	
Joseph Eckert	do	do do	5 Nov. '62, at Phila.
Erastus Tilley	do	do do	25 July, '62, at Phila.
Charles Williams	do	do do	12 July, '61, at Brooklyn.
Andrew Coffee	do	do do	10 Sept. '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
John Brown	do	do do	23 Sept. '61, at Washington.
Patrick Barry	do	do do	
Richard S Dolly	do	do do	
William Kelley	do	do do	4 Feb. '62, at Phila.
Charles A Stevens	do	do do	
Miles M Oriatt or (Orcutt)	do	do do	
William M Smith	do	do do	
George N Auger	do	do do	
George W Brandfield	do	do do	
Jere C Gregg	do	do do	
Theodore R Harris	do	do do	
Absalom N Ingersoll	do	do do	4 Apr. '62, at Brooklyn.
William J Johnson	do	do do	
Joseph L Peasley	do	do do	24 Sept. '62, at Baltimore.
Alexander Grant	do	do do	25 Aug. '63, at Washington.
James McClure	do	do do	5 Aug. '62, at Phila.; alien.
James Brown	do	do do	18 Dec. '62, at Cincinnati; alien.
Preston Cannard	do	do do	
William Gibbons	do	do do	
Ashley Hendrick	do	do do	15 Oct. '63, at Phila.
John Kremer	do	Vassalboro', 3d Dist.	
Wm. Parker.	do	Waldoboro', 3d Dist.	3 Dec. '63, at Mare Island, Cal.; alien
Wm. H. Batts	do	do do	23 Nov. '63, at Philadelphia.
Edward Prince	do	do do	
Walter Sneffins	do	do do	29 Aug. '63, at Gosport, Va.
Patrick Lynch	do	do do	28 Aug. '63, at Philadelphia.
Alex. Logan	do	do do	
John Sutton	do	do do	
Franklin Evans	do	do do	23 March '63, at Head Quarters.
Charles J Grimes	do	do do	
Calvin Munger	do	do do	29 Oct. '63, at Brooklyn.
James Benney	do	do do	26 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
Chas. B Blanderbilla	do	do do	
Jerry Brett	do	do do	9 Aug. '61, at Wash.; alien.

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NAME.	Branch of service.	Where Credited.	Data furnished by Navy Depart.
Chas. Fisher	Mar. Corps.	Waldoboro', 3d Dist.	4 Dec. '61, at New York.
Wm. H Oakes	do	do do	29 Nov. '61, at Philadelphia.
Henry Busher	do	do do	19 March '52, at Philadelphia.
David Boyd	do	do do	6 Nov. '61, at Head Quarters.
G W Henois	do	do do	9 Dec. '61, at Philadelphia.
John Hoban	do	do do	10 April, '62, at Phila.; alien.
James Bradley	do	do do	22 May, '62, at Philadelphia.
Michael Burgin	do	Wales, 2d Dist.	
William Houghlin	do	do do	
Hewe McGuire	do	do do	
Peter Clark	do	do do	24 March '62, at Philadelphia.
Michael Coughlin	do	do do	18 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
William Kelley	do	do do	19 Aug. '62, at Philadelphia.
William Deven	do	do do	
Alexander Coulter	do	do do	
Isaac Wood	do	Warren, 3d Dist.	12 Sept. '61, at Boston.
Henry C Winger	do	do do	2 Oct. '62, at Phila.
Daniel Connors	do	do do	
James Cavanaugh	do	do do	
James B Fowler	do	do do	
John Fitzgerald	do	do do	16 Sept. '63, at Brooklyn; alien.
John McCabe	do	do do	28 Oct. '62, at Phila.; alien.
James Shaw	do	do do	29 May, '62, at Brooklyn; alien.
George W Wheeler	do	do do	26 Oct. '63, at Phila.; alien.
James H Stephens	do	do do	18 Aug. '62, at New York.
Walter C Clare	do	do do	
James Medcaf	do	do do	2 Jan. '62, at Brooklyn.
Richard Fairclough	do	do do	14 Jan. '62, at Washington.
Charles Gilligan	do	do do	5 Jan. '63, at Brooklyn; alien.
Charles J O Hagan	do	do do	
Thomas P Fagan	do	Webster, 2d Dist.	13 Dec. '62, at Phila.; alien.
John Keely	do	do do	
John C Brown	do	do do	14 Jan. '62, at Phila.
Patriek Swann	do	do do	
John B Stanton	do	Winslow, 3d Dist.	13 Jan. '63, at New York.
John Mahoney	do	do do	9 Oct. '61, at Boston; alien.
William Ring	do	do do	14 July, '61, at New York; alien.
John J Curtis	do	do do	25 Sept. '63, at New York.
John Cassidy	do	do do	11 June, '63, at New York; alien.
Timothy Kelley	do	do do	13 Aug. '63, at New York; alien.
Charles Leaman	do	do do	5 Dec. '62, at Phila.
James M Roche	do	do do	18 July, '62, at New York; alien.
John Sheehan	do	do do	
Patrick McCabe	do	do do	
Charles Forad	do	do do	21 Dec. '61, at Philadelphia.
Michael Kennedy	do	do do	

The evidence and documents, contained in Appendix K, are published in conformity with the following:

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 23, 1871.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to cause to be printed in connection with the Report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," *all* the accompanying documents not heretofore ordered to be printed.

Read and passed.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.

See also the following:

Extract from the Journal of the Senate.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1871.

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Order from the House:

The Senate concurring, that in case the Senate fail from any cause to print the report and accompanying documents of the Commissioners of "Paper Credits," the Governor and Council be and are hereby authorized and directed to secure said report and all the accompanying documents and cause two thousand copies of the same to be printed for general distribution.

The question being on giving the order a passage in concurrence, Mr. HINKS raised a point of order: that the Governor and Council could not be instructed to perform an act by an *order*, but that such instructions should be by *resolve*, having the force of law.

The point of order was sustained.

Mr. LANE proposed amendment marked "A," to amend the order by substituting "resolve relating to the printing of the report of the Commissioners on 'Paper Credits,' and the accompanying documents," pending which, on motion of Mr. PERLEY, the order and amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following:

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to cause to be printed in connection with the Report of the Commissioners on "Paper Credits," *all* the accompanying documents not heretofore ordered to be printed.

Mr. SPAULDING proposed amendment marked "A," to amend by inserting before the word "*ordered*" the following:

"*Whereas*, It has appeared from the newspaper reports of the doings of the House of Representatives, that that branch on the 15th day of February spread upon its records certain resolutions relating to the action of the Senate, in ordering the printing of the Report of the Commissioners on 'paper credits';

"*And whereas*, That action was taken by the House without any notice to the Senate of the cause of grievances, or without complying with the parliamentary rules which should govern either branch when aggrieved at the action of the other branch;

"*And whereas*, It now appears by an order this day received from the House that that branch desires that all of the documents accompanying said report be printed, Therefore be it"

Mr. FOSTER proposed to amend amendment "A" as per sheet "B," to amend by inserting at the end of the second clause after the words "other branch," the words "to wit: by asking for a committee of conference," which was adopted.

Amendment "A" was adopted.

On the question of giving the order a passage, on motion of Mr. VOSE, the yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken resulted as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Bartlett, Carvill, Cleaves, Dudley, Foster, French of Franklin, French of Somerset, Fuller, Gray, Hayford, Hobson, Holland, Lane, Mayo, Morris, Perley, Rolfe, Sawyer, Smart, Smith of Knox, Smith of Lincoln, Spaulding, Torrey and Webber.—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Hinks and Vose.—2.

So the order was passed.

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A true copy. Attest: SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Augusta, February 21, 1871.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for such action as you may deem psoper, a letter from Hon. William W. Belknap, Secretary of War, with a communication from Lieutenant Colonel James B. Fry, U. S. Army, formerly Provost Marshal General of the United States.

SIDNEY PERHAM.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON CITY,
Februrary 16th, 1871.

To the Governor of the State of Maine, Augusta:

SIR,—I have the honor herewith to transmit, as requested by the writer, a communication from Lt. Col. James B. Fry, U. S. Army, formerly Provost Marshal General of the United States, defending himself from certain imputations upon his administration of the affairs of the Provost Marshal General's Department contained in the report of the Commissioners appointed by or under the authority of the Legislature of the State of Maine to inquire into the enlistment frauds committed in that State during the late war.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
WM. W. BELKNAP,
Secretary of War.

LOUISVILLE, KY., February 13, 1871.

Brigadier General E. D. Townsend,
Adjutant General U. S. Army,
Washington, D. C.

GENERAL:—A few weeks since I received from some anonymous friend in Maine a copy of the daily "Portland Advertiser," containing an extract of a report made by certain Commissioners acting under the authority of the Maine Legislature, in the investigation of enlistment frauds during the late war.

The tone of the Report seemed to throw some responsibility for these frauds on me, in my capacity as Provost Marshal General of the United States. I immediately wrote to His Excellency the Governor of Maine for a copy of the official report, and have been assured by him that it should be furnished as soon as printed.

This copy has not yet been received, but I am in receipt of the Bangor Daily Whig containing the full text of the report, and I desire without further delay

to make such comments thereon as seem to be imperatively demanded by the honor of the service, and my self respect.

The report fills me with profound surprise. I did not know that such an investigation was being prosecuted, and I had not the remotest hint that the doings of my office were under review and criticism. It is certainly a very singular circumstance that an investigation of this character, professing to deal with the transactions of my office, and throwing aspersions on my official character, should have been conducted without calling on me for any information or giving me the slightest opportunity to be heard. I was, perhaps, better prepared than any other person to give official information bearing upon the subject under investigation, yet for reasons best known to themselves the Commissioners did not see fit to call upon me.

My only resource, therefore, is to make this communication to my proper military superiors, asking that it be laid before the Governor of Maine, and requesting that it be made as public, and a matter of as permanent record as the report to which it relates.

The Commissioners charge me with transcending the requirements of law in 1864, from which frauds resulted. Their report says, "We shall not, however, have fully discharged our duty, unless we indicate in some general way the conclusions we have unavoidably arrived at as to the persons upon whom the responsibility for these unauthorized credits rests." "When the Provost Marshal General in his letter of July 9, 1864, appointing Governor Cony and Major Gardiner to the Naval Commission, instructed them that, 'in determining the credits the State of Maine and the different sub-divisions of it were entitled to, the Secretary thinks it will be fair to assume that the state in which naval enlistments have been made is entitled to credit for the enlistments unless it shall appear by more direct evidence that the credits belong elsewhere,' he seems to us to have transcended the requirements of law. The terms and intendment of the act were to throw the burden of proving residence upon the towns; the effect of the instruction was to assume the residence to be at the place of enlistment, and throw the burden of disproving it upon the town making an adverse claim."

"The instruction from the same officer to Governor Cony and Major Littler, of December 10, 1864, authorizing the credit of the 251 naval recruits is of the same force and refers to the foregoing instruction. The mere private endorsement upon the Marine Corps list in the hands of Messrs. Pike and Colby, authorizing a credit of the names it contained to districts and sub-districts of Maine, and the similar instructions for a like credit of about 200 names on a list held by G. P. Cochrane, to districts and sub-districts in the State of ——, does not seem to us to have had the slightest pretext of law or propriety to vindicate it."

Whether the instructions of July 9 and December 10, 1864, above mentioned be right or wrong, I am not responsible for them. They were *Mr. Stanton's, not mine.* This is plain from their terms, for I say, not that *I* think, but that "the Secretary thinks," &c., and this is confirmed by my final report (page 70) dated March 17, 1866, where I say, referring to this same matter, "the Secretary of War decided," &c. Under the law, my orders and decisions were made in my own name and not in that of the Secretary, as will appear by reference

to them. When I, as his subordinate officer, communicated his decisions, as in this case, they were *his, in fact*, and not mine. But the terms of the instructions, and those of my final report, though sufficient proof, are not the only nor the strongest proof on this point. I have the original of my recommendation to the Secretary of War for carrying out this law. The whole tenor of these instructions as framed by me, was to throw restrictions around these credits, and the 4th Article of them was in the following terms:

IV. "Their *residence must* BE PROVED *to the satisfaction of the Secretary of War*. When the residence is established, *as required by the law*, the names of the men credited will be placed on the enrollment lists of the places to which the credits are allowed. It shall be the duty of the Acting Assistant Provost General of the State to see to this."

It appears that in the opinion of the Commissioners this recommendation of mine would have fulfilled the requirements of the law and prevented frauds. But Mr. Stanton rejected it and substituted the paragraph which the Commissioners think transcended the law and produced evil results.

I am happy to have the Commissioners on my side of this question, but I must leave *them* to contest the correctness and wisdom of Mr. Stanton's construction of law. The issue is one for jurists to decide, and I let it rest between the Commissioners on the one side, and the deceased War Minister, Attorney General, and Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court on the other. I know the latter to have been an able jurist; of the former I know nothing. Besides the charge I have just explained, the Commissioners say that by mere private endorsement credit was allowed for a marine corps list, in the hands of Pike and Colby, to districts and sub-districts in Maine, and that by similar endorsement a like credit was allowed upon a list in the hands of G. P. Cochrane to districts and sub-districts in the State of ———.

The Commissioners say that there does not seem to them to have been the slightest "*pretext* of *law* or *propriety*" to vindicate the allowance of these two lots of credits. Let us see first as to the "law." The acts of July 4, 1864, section 8, governing on this subject, said, the men therein described *should* be credited "upon satisfactory proof of their residence made" (not to these Commissioners, but) "*to the Secretary of War*." As the Commissioners do not know, or even pretend to know, that "satisfactory proof was *not* made to the Secretary of War," their charge must be regarded as the mere assertion of a negative. Granting for the sake of the argument that with all that wisdom after the fact, acquired by the light of six years, the Commissioners have ascertained that the *truth* regarding some or all of these credits would not now justify their allowance, and still it will not follow that they ought not to have been allowed *at the time* on proof which was then satisfactory to the Secretary of War.

It is sufficient on the point of "propriety" to say that the action in these cases cannot be properly passed upon without a full knowledge of the circumstances under which it was taken. The Commissioners lacked that knowledge and could not acquire it, even if they had tried so to do. So much for the general features of such credits as were allowed.

Now in relation specially to the so called "marine corps list," and the "list

held by G. P. Cochrane," which the Commissioners say were credited by "mere private endorsement."

I made no mere private endorsement on papers for the allowance of credits, and if I had done so my subordinates would not have been justified in regarding them. The "marine corps list" came to the War Department with an official letter dated October 7, 1864, from Major Nicholson, Inspector of the Marine Corps, a proper officer to give the facts in relation to these men. He desired that they be credited to the localities "set opposite their names." The list was forwarded to Major Littler, with directions to credit, "provided they have not been heretofore credited."

Of the Cochrane list I know nothing, having no recollection of any such list or transaction as that set forth, and I am informed that the records of my office furnish no information on the subject. I never knowingly ordered a credit in blank, and if there is a genuine signature of mine on the list described by the Commissioners as the Cochrane list, it was obtained through some misrepresentation, misunderstanding or fraud; but until I see the list and can determine as to the genuineness of it and of my signature, I shall certainly think there is a forgery in it. The Commissioners, it seems, have seen none of these mere private endorsements, but assert their existence on "verbal testimony." They say "We have only verbal testimony of the special orders to credit the names borne on the Marine Corps list offered by Pike & Colby, and Cochrane." They do not say in terms that these mere private endorsements were mine, but I infer from the context that they meant it.

But in determining the responsibility for credits and their consequences—which the Commissioners place entirely on my shoulders—there are some other points to be borne in mind. The State and town authorities sought and accepted these credits and knowingly paid bounties for them. The General Government could neither exact or regulate these payments; all it could do in this regard it did do, that is, set the example of paying bounties for and to actual recruits only. It is a significant fact, that there were few or no frauds in the matter of government bounties. It was clearly the duty of *the towns* to see that their bounties were honestly and properly disbursed. It was *my duty* to see that the men were obtained for the service. How well the former was performed is indicated by the Report of these Commissioners; how well the latter, may be inferred from the fact that the army was languishing for recruits when I entered on the duties of Provost Marshal General in 1863, and that, notwithstanding all its casualties, it contained more than a million of men when the war closed in 1865.

It looks like very sharp practice, to say the least of it, for the authorities in Maine to have sought and accepted paper credits, and to have openly and voluntarily paid large sums of money to scoundrels for their part in preparing them, and then long after the war, when the people are smarting under the pecuniary consequences of their own folly, for another class of authorities to come out and condemn the General Government as culpable, and as the cause of the burdens which they inflicted upon themselves.

Though I had no power to regulate local bounties or forestall frauds in them, I was, when the war closed, actively engaged in the prosecution of persons per-

petrating these frauds. Some 30 or 40 of the worst cases were under arrest by my bureau, about 20 of which had been regularly tried by United States authority, convicted and sentenced to fine and imprisonment. One of these, G. M. Delany, a witness before these Commissioners, was found guilty, among other things, of defrauding recruits of money voted by the towns and cities of Maine, and was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment and a fine of forty-five thousand dollars. I, at Washington, was comparatively withdrawn from the fraudulent practices carried on in the States under the very eyes of the State and town officers, and as I understand the law within their jurisdiction. Yet I recall no arrests or punishments for these crimes in the State of Maine or elsewhere, except those by my bureau.

The disagreeable and unpopular duty of drafting men into the ranks of the army, after volunteering had become inadequate, was put upon me without agency or solicitation on my part, and at the sacrifice of more desirable employment in other fields of service. I know that I discharged it faithfully, industriously, honestly—to the satisfaction of my superior officers—and with the cordial concurrence, so far as I know, of Governor Coburn and Governor Cony, the two Executives of Maine with whom I had official intercourse. Yet when this duty was ended by the termination of the war, my services were by many measured rather by the extent of their annoyance to individuals, than by their importance to the nation. I have not complained of this, but have looked patiently and confidently to time for justice, and I shall continue so to look, notwithstanding the wrong done me so unexpectedly by these Commissioners in Maine. And I shall even hope for justice from them when this explanation reaches them—an explanation that never would have been necessary had they given me an opportunity to appear before them. This I should have gladly done, not merely in defence of my official course, but to aid them in detecting and, if possible, punishing the perpetrators of those frauds in their State which I labored assiduously to prevent.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
JAMES B. FRY,
Lt. Col. and Ass't Adj. Gen'l.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 22, 1871.

Read and sent down.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary.

IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 22, 1871.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. SEWALL of Oldtown.

S. J. CHADBOURNE, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Augusta, January 19, 1871.

To the President of the Senate:

In response to the order of the Senate this day passed, directing the Secretary of State "to furnish the Senate, for the use of the Legislature, the total expense to the State incurred by reason of or on account of any and all investigations of 'Paper Credits' made prior to this date," I have the honor to inform you that the first investigation, made by a committee of the Legislature in 1865, was unattended with expense; the second, made by a committee of the Legislature in 1866, incurred for witnesses and advertising an expense of $231.00; the third, made by a committee of the Legislature in 1870, was at the expense of $85.00; the fourth, made the past year by a commission appointed by the Governor, incurred the following expense:

Compensation of Commission,	$2,976 68
Compensation of clerk,	1,105 00
Fees of witnesses,	942 20
Advertising,	29 25
Stationery,	25 00
Postage,	22 50
Printing,	23 58
Estimated bills not paid,	300 00

Making the aggregate expense as follows:

Investigation in 1866,	$231 00
" 1870 (committee,)	85 00
" 1870 (commission)	5,401 71
Total,	* $5,717 71

Very respectfully,

FRANKLIN M. DREW,
Secretary of State.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, January 20, 1871.

Read, and on motion of Mr. VOSE laid on the table and ordered to be printed in connection with the report of the Commissioners on Paper Credits.

SAMUEL W. LANE, *Secretary.*

* This sum does not include the cost of arranging and printing this report, which is estimated at $1,500, making the total cost about $7,217.71.

SAMUEL W. LANE, Secretary of the Senate.

ERRATA.

Page 370, for Geo. W. Whiting read Geo. W. Whitney.
Page 374, for Benj. Turner read Benj. Tarbox.

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